OUT OF THE ASHES.

Progress of Permanent Rebuilding in the South Division.

An Almost Incredible Amount of Work Done Already.

Two Hundred and Twelve Brick and Stone Buildings in Course of Erection.

Covering a Street Frontage of Three and a Third Miles.

Probably there are few people in Chicago who are aware of the actual extent to which the work of permanent rebuilding has begun. A casual trip through the streets of the burnt district altogether fails of conveying a correct idea of it, and nothing short of a thorough and patient exhibit of observation will answer the purpose. The principal portion of the restoration of business structures is, of course, confined to the South Division, where the pressing needs of commerce and trade have left no choice but to begin at once and supply the buildings which the fire swept away. With the same wonderful energy and contempt for difficult obstacles which made Chicago what she was, her business men have cleared away the ruins of their former greatness, and set vigorously about the work of reconstruction. The result is that, seven weeks after the fire, Chicago has made a beginning almost incredible. The high price of building material of all kinds, the great advances in the rates in all branches of mechanical labor, the cold and unfavorable weather for out-door operations—none of these drawbacks have been allowed to interfere. To say there is a feeling of hopefulness among our burnt-out rebuilders would fail to fitly express the true state of things. There is no hopefulness about it. It is absolute certainty, as solid and unshaken as are the massive walls of the new rows of structures.

So far as the progress of rebuilding has extended up to the present time, the architectural difference from Chicago as it was is strikingly noticeable. A general condition of enforced economy, together with a determination to secure massive permanency at the expense of elegant ornamentation, has brought about an almost uniform plainness. With few exceptions, the main walls are of the uncertain-colored brick, peculiar to this locality, the fronts of red or white pressed brick, or of the painted and "penciled" style, the trimmings of stone or iron, and the cornices chiefly of brick. This economical plain style, however, only obtains in the buildings now under way. The leading architects are perfectly swamped with plans and details for more elaborate and pretentious structures, to be commenced early in the spring, so that the present is hardly the time to speculate on the appearance of Chicago in the future. Our design is to present an accurate, authentic account of the present progress of the work of permanent rebuilding, give locations, owners, size and material.

RIVER STREET.

Nos. 6 and 8; ——— Cowen, owner; 30x75 feet; five stories and basement; red pressed brick front.

East side; Henry Fuller, owner; 80x40 feet; four stories; plain brick.

Southeast corner of South Water street; Matthew Laflin, owner; 100x180 feet; four stories; red pressed brick front.

West side; Rogers & Writers, owners; 99x126 feet; five stories; pressed brick front.

Northwest corner of South Water street; Wm. Nimmo & Sons, owners; 50x80 feet; 3-story pressed brick front.

No. 42; C. A. Price, owner; 24x100 feet; four stories; plain brick.

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Northwest corner of River street; the Hempstead Building; 30x120 feet; four stories; plain brick.

Next door west; George Armour owner; 30x120 feet; four stories; plain brick.

South side, near Wabash avenue; Judge Lindsley, of Cincinnati, owner; 20x100 feet; four stories; red pressed brick front.

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No. 139; B. S. Chase, owner; 20x70 feet; four stories and basement; Milwaukee brick front.

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Southeast corner of Fifth avenue; Pardee's building; 80x45 feet; four stories and basement; plain brick.

Next door west; J. T. Ryerson, owner; 80x45 feet; one story; plain brick.

Northeast corner of Fifth street; Chas. G. Smith, owner; 82x35 feet; four stories; plain brick.

West side, near Lake street; H. C. Wheeler, of Wausau, owner; 40x80 feet; three stories and basement; plain brick.

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Northwest corner of Wabash avenue; L. D. McCormick, owner; 140x150 feet; five stories and basement; Cleveland sandstone front.

Northeast corner of Wabash avenue; J. H. Reed, owner; 48x145 feet; five stories and basement; pressed brick, with stone trimmings.

South side; between Michigan and Wabash avenues; Rosenberg & Rascenfeld, owners; 30x100 feet; five stories and basement; pressed brick front.

Northwest corner of Michigan avenue; C. H. McCormick, owner; 65x100 feet; four stories and basement; Cleveland sandstone front.

Next door west; between Michigan and Wabash avenues; C. H. McCormick, owner; 65x170 feet; four stories and basement; Cleveland sandstone front.

Southeast corner of Dearborn; E. W. Hawley; five-story stone front; 60x75 feet; removing *debris*.

Southwest corner of Dearborn; Turnure Company; four-story and basement, with Philadelphia pressed brick front. Lake superior stone facings. Workmen are engaged in the outside basement walls.

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East of State, south side; Dr. Newton; four story brick, 40x100 feet; working on the foundation.

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Southeast corner of State; Potter Palmer; hotel; second story partially up.

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North side, east of Wells street; Mr. Cooney; two stories; 18x40 feet.

In the rear of the above, same owner, a three-story brick; 18x40 feet.

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West of LaSalle street, North side; Mr. Appleby; four-story brick; 40x100 feet.

MICHIGAN AVENUE.

Nos. 13 and 15; D. M. Richardson, owner; 48x60 feet; three stories and basement; pressed brick front.

Nos. 124, 126, 128, and 130; Bowen Bros.; two-story bricks, 80x70; the last three are occupying the first story of No. 124 is up.

North of Adams; Mr. Tuttle; four-story brick, with stone front; 50x150 feet.

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Nos. 48 and 50; Phelps, Dodge & Palmer, owners; 40x100 feet; five stories and basement; Milwaukee brick front.

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North of Madison, east side; Mr. Dinsby; four-story brick or marble front; 72x170 feet; removing the *debris*.

Northeast corner of La Salle street; five-story stone front, 45x100; removing the *debris*.

North of Monroe, east side; Dr. Ray; five-story stone front, 40x160 feet; foundation is being put in.

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South of Jackson, east side; Mr. Abbey; four-story brick, 40x120 feet.

Northeast corner of Jackson street, West side; Addis & Bullard; four-story brick, iron front; 50x150.

Northeast corner of Adams; Mr. Odell; four-story brick with stone facings; 40x130, with a wing 25x30.

STATE STREET.

West side, between Randolph streets; Matthew Laflin, owner; 80x30 feet; four stories and basement; pressed brick front.

Southwest corner of Harrison and Sherman; same owner; two-story brick, 80x150 feet; passenger depot.

Northeast corner of same streets; same owner; two-story express building, 80x150 feet.

Owen Owens is erecting a four-story brick building, 60x80, on Calhoun place, east of Market. It is ready for the roof.

Adams, east of State; Mr. Brown; four-story brick, 50x80 feet.

Nos. 45 and 47 Jackson street; Kimball & Officer; four story brick, 42x76 feet.

Madison street, west of Wabash avenue; Bishop & Isham; four story brick, 80x80.

Fourth avenue, north of Jackson; L. Lombard; four story brick, 40x100 feet.

South side of Van Buren street, west of State; R. L. Lancaster; four-story and basement; 40x120.

Bent & Gleward have put up a three-story brick building in the alley running into Fifth avenue, south of Madison street.

Arcade court, east of Wells; Berren & Terry; four-story brick, 60x80 feet.

Arcade court, west of LaSalle street; James Arnold; one-story brick, 20x30 feet.

RECAPITULATION.

A recapitulation of the above list shows that 219 permanent brick and stone buildings are in course of erection in the burnt district of the South Division, covering a total street portage of 17,115 feet, or about 3 1-3 miles. The number of buildings on each street in the South Division is as follows:

River street	4
South Water street	12
Lake street	18
Randolph street	6
Washington street	2
Madison street	2
Monroe street	3
Adams street	2
Jackson street	4
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Van Buren street	1
Harrison street	1
Polk street	1
Michigan avenue	8
Wabash avenue	21
State street	24
Dearborn street	5
Clark street	1
LaSalle street	1
Fifth avenue	3
Franklin street	1
Market street	1
Fourth avenue	1
Total	219

HOW SHALL WE REBUILD OUR CITY?

To the Editor of The Chicago Tribune:

My remarks will more especially apply to buildings to be occupied as banks, offices, and wholesale and retail stores, which, with their contents, are of such immense value, amounting, in frequent instances, to many millions of dollars. Can we afford to burn such immense values every now and then, for the difference in interest between the cost of lumber and iron? Much comment has been made on the fact that THE TRIBUNE Building, the First National Bank, and the Post Office did not withstand the fury of the flames. What chance had the buildings named, when surrounded by fire-traps, containing such masses of lumber, from top to bottom? Is it any wonder that the result would have been if Madison street had been built like the three buildings named, from the lake to the river? That street, if so built, would be standing to-day, since it would have formed a bulwark to resist the burning of the frames and smaller buildings south thereof. The injury in that case would be confined to the south side of Madison street. The damage would have been comparatively trivial. Had LaSalle and Washington streets also been supported on the same class of buildings as the three mentioned, all would have been intact, or nearly so, at this time.

Let us notice for a moment the manner in which many of the buildings now going up are built; and as the Drake Block has burned twice within a year, that example shall be taken. As soon as the basement up, large timbers are laid on the piles, or the pillars, and then the transverse joists are laid in, which, with the floor, form a mass of lumber. Resting on this are five or six stories more, and then, as at the first, erect a Mansard roof, all of lumber. Will the architect deny that the number of feet of lumber in the Drake Block at that building? I saw it burn the first time. The interior walls were only twelve inches in thickness, supporting the floors and roof. Of course, the joists conveyed the fire from one division to the other, and the whole roof came down, with all the floors and most of the inside walls. One would think that the burning of millions of dollars' worth would have taught the architect, if anything would, that such a mode of building would bring nothing but disaster. No, not at all. He built again with the same masses of lumber in each floor, the only difference being six inches in the walls, and a slight reduction of the roof. It was burned again—twice in one year. Probably at least eight millions of dollars have been consumed in that block within a year. Can we afford it? This sacrifice has been made for the difference in interest between the cost of lumber and that of other and non-combustible material. The Drake Block is an illustration of our usual expensive buildings, which illustration will generally apply to all that have been recently seen in the papers. Why, that the Drake Block is to be rebuilt, "*the same as before!*" I hope Mr. Drake will not repeat the folly this time, but decide upon the materials, but also the substance of the walls, and the mode of laying the bricks. Piling six bricks one above the other, with not a bit of mortar in the joints! Every brick should be a "bond" in such large and important buildings, well tied with *hoop-iron*. The mode of bricklaying is disgraceful for such large buildings.

How shall we rebuild the inner circle of our city? In answer, the same as the old, or where they have practical men as architects, and clerks of works who understand the strength of materials, and the power of resistance, with proper building ordinances, fully carried out. Use brick and stone; iron joists; brick arches, tinned from one joist to the other; and between the joists, vitrified bricks, with H iron for partitions; iron window-frames; outside roller steel blinds; iron frame work for roofs, and the whole secured by copper wire; the floors of checkered marble, encaustic tiles, or planed Joliet stone; anything rather than wood. There is no good in such houses, where such immense values are stored, and we could with confidence meet such hurricanes as that of the fatal Monday morning.

What impediment is there in the way to our having such buildings as those sketched? Simply and chiefly insurance companies. They, with frantic frenzy, will shout, "*The cost!*" The cost is the difference in interest on the cost of the materials named. The saving in insurance will be a considerable portion of the interest on the extra cost. Take the late Oriental building. Assume it were rebuilt "*as before*." The insurance from the property thereon, will cost $4,000 per annum. A building constructed as suggested would save one-half of this sum, which would pay interest on $20,000 of the extra cost. But the cost is nothing to the comparative safety of the city. What would be the effect on Eastern capital coming to our aid if this course were adopted in our rebuilding? Pray, let us think on this important subject. My idea is that capitalists would rather loan at 8 per cent on such as we have built before. Let us foster this capital and secure its confidence.

I fear many of our citizens are already forgetting the awful lesson the great calamity taught them, as we find the same masses of inflammable materials used in the buildings—too good to be called temporary—now being built without doubt under the advice of those architects who seem to be fresh with calamities. I trust the owners will make short work with such advice, and feel that they cannot afford to burn out every three years. Many are now stating that such a fire cannot occur again in *hundreds of years*. The doctrine of a fatalist is scarcely worse. We believe in the continuous, vast plain to the west and south; we have still thousands of frame-buildings, with shingles and tarred felt roofs; we may have a drought equal to the last, and are still open to hurricanes when nature's laws work that way. Pray, let us not forget these facts, and let us provide against them to the best of our ability.

One architect has written a pamphlet against stone buildings! Has he forgotten most of the public buildings of the world, that have stood, many of them, for hundreds of years? Of what are they built? All stone will "fly" from unequal expansion, as a pane of glass will by boiling water being poured therein. Remove the cause,—the masses of lumber in each building,—and we will have but few occasions to complain of stone.

ROOFS.—We cannot have a better example than the Court House furnishes. The old part, being of timber, is gone entirely. The wings, of iron and slate, though not first-class, are still standing, but doubtless injured by the old roof in the centre. Let us, therefore, construct our roofs of iron, and put on the slates with copper wire, and, if the materials used are of good construction and quality, we will have but little trouble from this source. Those who desire Mansard roofs thus constructed need not fear; it was the fearful lumber pile in each of them which caused the trouble. Let there be an end of shingles, lumber, tar, and felt, in roofs, and a large portion of our hazard from without will disappear.

Assuming that we do not have another such a visitation, if we continue to build as before, we will have periodical fires, such as the Lake street, Farwell Hall, and Drake Block, every now and then, which will burn millions of dollars' worth of property, and all in consequence of such quantities of lumber and such roofs. Can we afford to meet such losses from such causes? The architect can, and probably will, denounce me for my impudent interference; but I look a little beyond them, and trust that my name will be remembered for distant years when we will have the pleasure of seeing the city rebuilt as here sketched. I trust all office-renters, bankers, and merchants will combine, and that a manifesto will be signed by all who rent buildings to those who *build*, setting forth that none of them will rent a store, bank, or office unless the buildings are so built. Let a merchant understand that, if he has a stock of one million of dollars, his insurance in the ordinary building will cost him $6,000 per annum, at least, more than if in a fire-proof building, saying nothing about the general feeling of security. I hope our fellow-citizens will earnestly consider, and take action for our future security. Yours truly, ENGINEER.

CHICAGO, Nov. 23.

A LAW-ABIDING GOVERNOR.

From the New York Tribune, Nov. 23.

Governor Palmer of Illinois is a lawyer, a soldier, and a politician. He is an excellent lawyer; he was a soldier of such merit that he rose from the ranks to the command of an army and a department. But it is the custom with Western men and Western papers to say that he is a bad politician. If this is true, it is the fault of politics, ancient and new. It means that he will never sign a bill with a job in it by means of which influential party friends are enriched. He never uses his appointing power for his own advantage. He will not swerve one hair's breadth from what he holds to be the law to save his own popularity or his party's majority. He is so good a lawyer that he rarely makes a mistake in the law. He is so honest a man that he never goes false to his convictions. For these sufficient reason the "practical" politicians who run his public career is ended with his present term. If the "practical" men are to control it there is their own way in the future, as they have too much in the past, this may be true.

Just now they seem sure that the Governor has made a grave mistake in refusing the indictment of the Mayor of Chicago, of General Sheridan, and of General P. T. Sheridan, and subsequently in saying before the Legislature the considerations which moved him to this action. His message has excited in Chicago a storm of denunciation singularly at variance with the calm and temperate tone in which it is couched. He meets the usual fate of men who keep their words about them in times of general excitement and tumult, and who presume to recall to their fellow-citizens the memory of their mistakes and follies.

The extract from the Governor's message that on the 11th day of October General Sheridan, the Western Lieutenant of General Sherman, was ordered by the Mayor of the city, issued by General Frank T. Sheridan in order to organize a regiment of infantry "to serve as guards for the protection of the records and property of the city of Chicago for the period of twenty days." This regiment consisted in part of companies of State militia and of recruits enlisted under General Sheridan's authority, and in part of a single company of boys from the Chicago University, under the command of Captain Colton. They took an unusual oath of allegiance and obedience. To use Governor Palmer's words,

Supported by this force, Lieutenant General Sheridan proceeded to establish military rule throughout the city. Martial law was established and his commands posted on the public streets, with orders from him, or from some of his retinue, to the effect that certain offenses who might, in the judgment of such guards and sentinels, be suspicious characters, and for not giving such persons, or who should refuse to obey their commands; and one citizen of the city, who was quietly passing along one of the streets, was ordered to halt, and upon his refusing to obey, was shot and mortally wounded.

Theodore H. Tyrrel a boy of 16, a student in the university, halted and shot, on the night of the 9th of October, Colonel Thomas W. Grosvenor, a prominent citizen, who was passing the sentry on his way home. This fatal accident seemed to arouse the public sentiment which had been apathetically consenting to the substitution of military for civil authority. But the reign of terror was terminated two days later. Governor Palmer contends that this force of General Sheridan's was raised without any legal authority, that it had no right to perform any military functions whatever, and that in inflicting death, even in self-defense, the persons engaged in the police officers rendered themselves liable to an indictment for murder. After full deliberation, Governor Palmer says the responsibility of formally advising the Attorney General of the State and District Attorney of their duty in the premises. The remainder of the message is taken up with an extract from the report of General Sheridan to the War Department. Under date of October 25 he says: "It is proper to mention that the Chicago volunteers were not taken into the service of the United States." They were certainly never taken into the service of the State of Illinois, and can therefore only be regarded in the light of an irregular police force, raised by General Sheridan, under color of an authority from the Mayor, which he had no right to exercise, and for no legal purpose.

It is asserted by some of Governor Palmer's excited critics in Chicago, that he cannot have failed to know the extent of his authority. But the Governor's message disposes of this assertion. Up to the 17th of October he was under the impression that General Sheridan was acting under the coordination to the civil authorities, and as soon as he learned that the Mayor had practically abdicated and given up the government of the city into the hands of General Sheridan, he wrote him a letter censuring his course in the severest terms, and expressing his hope that he would not again attempt to usurp legal authority. The Mayor answered, in a tone rather of petulance than dignity, that he had already decided to dispense with all military aid in a day or two. He stated also, in language which shows his entire unconsciousness of any such thing as constitutional law, that he believed, when the lives and property of the people—the peace and order of a large city—are in danger, that it is the time to step and consider any question of policy," which is precisely the sentiment which, if generally entertained, would make free government impossible upon the earth.

Good intentions cannot excuse violations of law. The surrender of municipal authority into the hands of the military is an act of desperation. Nothing can justify it, nothing can ever excuse it, but an overpowering necessity which deprives all civil magistrates of their free will. It does not appear that at any time there was such a necessity existing in Chicago. On the night of October 9, and the hour when General Sheridan was giving the order for raising the irregular, and unauthorized regiment from the boys in the streets, he had also, the Adjutant General of the State was in Chicago, with over 500 disciplined men of the State militia, under full and exclusive control of himself. It is true there was a good deal of wild talk of disorder and crime, of violence and incendiarism. But General Sheridan himself has borne full and manly testimony to the falsity of these stories. There was no such emergency as required that dangerous precedent to be set, of weakly yielding the charge of the public peace to the military arm.

As the grand jury of Cook County have refused to indict any one on account of the death of Colonel Grosvenor, it may be said that this is now a barren discussion. But it is dangerous to pass in silence any infraction of the principles upon which our democracy rests. In this case there was no harm intended. The Mayor of Chicago, influenced by the prevailing excitement, and unconscious of the full significance of his act, surrendered his authority unnecessarily. General Sheridan, whose faults always lean to virtue's side, assumed the responsibility which was thus offered him with the best intentions, without inquiring, and probably without caring much, what the law of the case was. But Governor Palmer could not be permitted to look with indifference upon a proceeding which contravened the fundamental law of the State and the nation. He has done well in making a full deliberation, Governor Palmer has done well in refusing to indict officers rendered liable to an indictment for murder. After full deliberation, Governor Palmer has done well in

CHARLES READE.

He Replies to the Critics of "A Terrible Temptation."

To the Editor of the Daily Globe, Toronto:

SIR: Three columns of your journal have been sent me headed "A Terrible Temptation," yet mainly devoted to reviving stale misrepresentations of my older works. The writer even goes beyond my original detractors—most of them now my converts—and he slanders the character and sincerity of the author; and that in terms so defamatory, and so evidently malicious, that I would sue him, or even indict him, if he was worth it. But I know by experience what would follow; all anonymous slanderer is always a coward; he would run away and hide the moment he saw the dog-whip of the law coming, and I should have to punish some disgraced editor, publisher, or printer, less criminal than the real culprit, but more of a man. I prefer, therefore, to deal with the slanderer as I may; only I expect you, who have published the poison, to publish the antidote.

The anonymous slanderer, in his ride-pit, has so many unfair advantages over the more manly author, that it is impossible to expose him without first naming and ticketing his habitual blunders and frauds, and necessity compelled me long ago to invent a new science. I call it literary zoology.

Of this science certain arms are indispensable in this discussion; unfortunately they are new to the Canadian public, so I must explain them.

The Critical Ass—first pinned on cork by me in 1859—a very curious little animal, with singular traits; the most distinctive is that in literary questions, easily soluble by direct evidence, he flies to cavils, conjectures, or "the depths of his inner consciousness," and that means "the shallows of his ignorance." He is a modern weasel, who has lived over into the nineteenth century by some miracle, but no more belongs to it than the Patagonian dodo, with his implements of stone. This little creature's mind and method are the exact opposite of the lawyer's, the naturalist's, and the critic's.

The Pyrrhul Prude—(first introduced by me to the American public in 1864.) This is a lewd hypocrite, who passes over all that is sweet, and pure, and innocent in a book, with genuine disrelish, and fixes greedily on whatever a foul mind can misinterpret or exaggerate into indecency. He makes arbitrary additions to the author's meaning, and so skews out the indecency to suit his own true taste, which is for the unclean; this done, he turns round upon the author, whom he has defiled, and says, "You are unclean." And so the poor author is. But why? A lump of human dirt has been sitting on him, and discoloring him.

The Sham-Sample Swindler—This is a kind of vermin that works thus: He finds an objectionable passage or two in a good book, or a borrowed idea or two in an original book. He quotes these exceptional flaws, and then adds slily, "*And this is the character of all the rest.*" Here a little bit of truth is made the cover to an enormous lie; but, unfortunately for the public, the bit of truth is compact and visible, the huge lie is in the dark. There is no cure to the sham-sample swindler except reading the whole book; but the sham-sample deters its reader from reading the book. Here, therefore, we have an impregnable circle of fraud. The sham-sample swindle, as applied to grain, is seldom tried by farmers: most morals are not the morals of scribblers; God forbid they ever should be! It was once tried in Reading market, when I was a boy; but the swindler was dogged out of the market, and never dared show his face there again while he lived. Not so with his literary brethren; they are never flogged, never hung, never nailed on barn doors. Rarely detected, never effectually exposed, they pursue, without a blush, or a single thrush of conscience, the easiest, surest, neatest, and meanest swindle in creation.

The True Anonymuncule—This little creature must not be confounded with the anonymous writers, who are supplying narratives or current events, and discuss public measures with freedom, but deal largely in generalities, and very little in personalities. Those are the working bees that gather honey for the public. Reade's anonymuncule is no great psychologist; he can do little but sling. He is of two kinds—the anonymous letter writer, pest of families; and the anonymous literary detractor, pest of the fine arts. Both varieties have this essential trait in common, they abuse the shelter and the obscurity of the anonymous. The literary anonymuncule often amuses it doubly; he belies his superior in one organ of criticism, then flies to another, and says the same of the author in other words. Then the duped public believes that two disinterested judges have condemned its favorite; whereas the poor editors are only a couple of ungarnished puppets, pulled by the unscrupulous anonymuncule raging with literary envy.

I make no apology for this preface, because it is of general utility; all, who study it with a little care, can apply it to a thousand cases—past, present, and to come—in which I have no personal interest.

Now to the ephemeral application of these immortal truths. I am a popular author, bearing an indifferent character for temper and moderation, where injustice is done to others, or even to myself, but a high character for sincerity and humanity. As to my literary fame, it has been acquired fairly, as my very enemies admit: the Press has never been favorable to me, but even has never been favorable to the public. Every man

STATE LEGISLATURE.

The House Initiates a Resolution for a Week's Adjournment.

Members Magnanimously Agree to Receive Pay During the Recess.

Action of Legislative Apportionment Adopted by the Joint Committees.

Bills Introduced on the Subject of Steam Railways on Public Thoroughfares.

A Bill Relating to Special Terms of Circuits Passed in the House.

Special Despatch to The Chicago Tribune.

WHY BUSINESS LAGS.

SPRINGFIELD, Nov. 24.—Owing to the fact that there were but just enough members present to transact emergency bills, no effort was made by Chicago members left here to get up bills so essential to that city. Mr. King left at noon for Chicago, during his two committees and the bill to enlarge the powers of the Mayor, which ought to be passed by December 2. Messrs. Barley and Hamilton were also absent from the House this afternoon. Had all the Chicago members been present there would have been no trouble with the bill. It is not likely that there will be enough members here next week to pass anything. There was enough energy to push through to-day the special session of Circuit Courts, but not enough to even mention Chicago measures.

COMMITTEE VACANCIES.

The Senate passed a resolution directing the Governor to fill vacancies on the Committee on Fees and Salaries.

RAILROAD BILL.

The House did nothing of importance. Mr. Stillwell offered a bill by which no municipality in which is allowed to permit any steam railroad to run any street unless a certain number of property-owners agree. This will interfere with the Illinois Central Railroad Road with the P., Ft. Wayne & Chicago, who are trying to get hold of the Pittsburg line.

RECESS ORDERED UPON.

Mr. Ferry before adjourning the House passed by a unanimous vote a resolution to adjourn from Saturday next Monday, many who voted against the motion to the morning having gone off during the afternoon. Members have an idea that they have been overworked lately, and must go home to refresh. If the Senate adopts the resolution to-morrow, nothing will be done next week. They act as if they were certain of their pay, and intended to return the least possible amount of time for it.

THE COOK COUNTY ABSENTEES TO-DAY

Messrs. Dixon, Humphrey, Mason, and Hosmer, Egan is sick. Senators Allen, Bangs, Boyd, Brown, Edsall, Hunter, Jackson, Underwood, Wilson, and Woodard, are away. Boyd and Underwood are away on leave, and Hanter is sick. Representatives absent:

Twenty-two votes in the House to-day showed that the following members were not present: Ayers, Bellows, Bond, Boyd, Briscoe, Brown, of Macoupin, Caldwell, Carey, Casey, of Jefferson, Cloud, Colvin, Corrington, Davis, Dixon, Egan, Elder, Fuller, Funk, Gaines, Hatfield, Humphrey, Ingersoll, Kelley, Kenny, Latimer, Mason, Manley, Mohlenbrock, McMasters, McNutt, Murray, Morrison, Monroe, Nelson, Rice, of Peoria, Rigos, Rogers, of Madison, Rodgers, of Piatt, Ryan, Sharon, Shaw, Shaw, Taylor, and Wright.

Several of these individuals have not been at all at this session.

PAY OF ABSENT MEMBERS.

There is a feeling that it is necessary to have some sort of legislation on the subject of fees and salaries, but, unfortunately, there the matter stands. Senator Bangs, the Chairman of the Senate Committee, is away and Mr. King, the Chairman of the House Committee, is also at the head of the Committee on Land Titles, and it is impossible to say when anything will be done with the report which has been in the hands of some of them ever since January, 1871, while eminent men, revenue, fees and salaries, and appointment are left untouched. The duties of a Justice of the Peace, and the question of garnishees, present two hooded discussions, and consequently the time of the House. But it is a wrong to blame with them, for possibly they are doing the best they know how.

LEGISLATIVE APPORTIONMENT.

The Republican caucus this evening decided on the following apportionment, which, with distasteful to many Republicans, and agreed with much Democratic opposition, is likely to go through:

Senate District—First, Second, Tenth and Twenty-fourth Wards of Chicago, R.

Second District—Third, Fourth and Fifth Wards and Hyde Park and Lake, R.

Third District—Sixth, Seventh and Eighth Wards, D.

Fourth District—Ninth, Twelfth and Thirteenth Wards, probably D-moderate.

Fifth District—Fourteenth, Fifteenth and Seventeenth Wards, R.

Sixth District—Seventeenth, Nineteenth, Twenty-first and Sixteenth Wards, R.

Seventh District—Twenty-second, R.

Eighth District—Lake and McHenry, R.

Ninth District—Winnebago and Boone, R.

Tenth District—Stephenson, Jo Daviess, R.

Eleventh District—Ogle and Lee, R.

Twelfth District—Carroll and Whiteside, R.

Thirteenth District—Henderson, Mercer, Rock Island and Hancock, R.

Fourteenth District—DuPage and Kane, R.

Fifteenth District—Will, R.

Sixteenth District—Kankakee and Iroquois, R.

Seventeenth District—Livingston and Ford, R.

Eighteenth District—LaSalle, R.

Nineteenth District—Woodford, Marshall, and Putnam; probably Democratic.

Twentieth District—Stark and Bureau, R.

Twenty-first District—Henry and Rock Island, R.

Twenty-second District—Knox and Mercer, R.

Twenty-third District—Hancock and Henderson, D.

Twenty-fourth District—Warren and McDonough, R.

Twenty-fifth District—Fulton and Mason, D.

Twenty-sixth District—Peoria, D.

Twenty-seventh District—Tazewell and Logan, D.

Twenty-eighth District—McLean, R.

Twenty-ninth District—DeWitt and Macon, R.

Thirtieth District—Piatt and Champaign, R.

Thirty-first District—Vermillion and Edgar, R.

Thirty-second District—Douglas, Coles, and Cumberland, R.

Thirty-third District—Shelby, Cumberland, and Clay, D.

Thirty-fourth District—Christian and Montgomery, D.

Thirty-fifth District—Sangamon, D.

Thirty-sixth District—Schuyler, Brown, Cass, Menard, D.

Thirty-seventh District—Adams, D.

Thirty-eighth District—Pike, Scott, and Calhoun, D.

Thirty-ninth District—Morgan and Greene, D.

Fortieth District—Macoupin and Jersey, D.

Forty-first District—Madison, uncertain.

Forty-second District—Bond, Clinton, and Washington, R.

Forty-third District—Fayette and Marion, D.

Forty-fourth District—Clay, Richland, Wayne, Edwards, and Wabash, R.

Forty-fifth District—Clark, Jasper, Crawford, D.

Forty-sixth District—Hamilton, White, Saline, Gallatin, D.

Forty-seventh District—Jefferson, Franklin, Perry, Johnson, D.

Forty-eighth District—St. Clair, R.

Forty-ninth District—Monroe, Randolph, and Clinton, probably Republican.

Fiftieth District—Jackson, Union, and Alexander, D.

Fifty-first District—Johnson, Pope, Hardin, Massac, and Pulaski, R.

This gives the Republicans a decent certainty in twenty districts, the Democrats of 17, and leaves 4 doubtful, which will be about evenly divided.

LEGISLATIVE.

SENATE.

SPRINGFIELD, Nov. 24.

SENATOR QUALIFIED.

The credentials of Wm. G. Bowman, of the Thirty-first District, elected vice Gibson, deceased, were presented and the oath administered.

VENUE.

The consideration of the bill relating to venue in criminal cases.

Mr. HAMPTON defended his bill as against the report of the committee, citing instances in his district where persons had escaped because they had not been delivered prior to the setting of criminal courts.

Mr. FULLER defended the report of the committee.

Mr. STREVELL said this bill was defective, and should be rejected. It was an attempt to change the present law without complying with the constitution.

Mr. WHITNEY opposed.

ILLINOIS REPORTS.

Mr. McNULTA, from the Judiciary Committee, reported back the bill to provide for publishing the Illinois Reports from the Supreme Reporter at five dollars per volume, recommended its passage.

Mr. HAMPTON moved its reference to the Committee on Finance. Carried.

INSURANCE.

Mr. CARTER, from the Select Committee, to which was referred the petition of John V. Farwell and others relating to insurance, reported the petition, with a recommendation that it be referred to the Committee on Insurance. So ordered.

CANADA THISTLES.

The bill to prevent the spreading of Canada thistles, was read a third time, and failed for want of a constitutional majority—ayes, 21; nays, 4.

REGISTRATION.

Mr. STREVELL entered a motion to reconsider the vote on bill No. 50, to repeal the Registry law, and to limit registration in cities, towns, and villages to actual inhabitants and upwards, and cities of one hundred thousand inhabitants and upwards, to need a third time.

Mr. STREVELL moved to defer to the Committee of the Whole.

Mr. FORTH deprecated the Senator's moving to defer his bill to committees of which he was Chairman, and probably when Senators Bangs and Dixon return the Senator from Pope will be arraigned for the killing of the bill that gentleman.

TYPETILES AGAIN.

A motion to reconsider the vote on the Canada bill was carried. The bill passed—ayes, 24; nays, 6.

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR.

A message was received from the Governor, returning Senate bill 222, relating to the Southern Illinois Asylum with his objections.

SOUTHERN NORMAL UNIVERSITY.

Senate bill 256, relating to the Southern Normal University was referred to the Committee on Public Buildings.

SALARY OF LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR.

Senate bill 228, establishing the salary of the Lieutenant Governor, was read a second time.

Mr. EDDY moved to fill the blank with $1,500.

Mr. CRAWFORD opposed the motion. He was not willing to give more than $1,200.

Mr. WASHBURN was in favor of paying the present Lieutenant Governor $1,500, but objected to providing that salary for future incumbents of the office.

Mr. KERR opposed the motion.

The motion was lost—yeas, 16; nays, 18.

Mr. STREVELL moved to fix the compensation at fifteen hundred dollars until the expiration of the term of the present incumbent, and one thousand dollars thereafter.

Mr. CRAWFORD moved to amend the amendment by striking out the fifteen hundred dollars and inserting twelve hundred dollars.

Mr. FULLER favored Mr. Crawford's amendment, which was accepted.

Mr. EDDY moved to amend by striking out $1,500 and leaving the salary at $1,200 per annum. Carried—yeas, 21; nays, 13.

The blank was filled with $1,200.

Mr. FULLER moved to amend, by striking out so much as related to the allowance for stationery, postage, etc. Carried.

The bill was referred to the Fees and Salaries Committee.

In the afternoon Mr. VANDORSTON, from the Committee on Fees and Salaries, reported back the Lieutenant Governor's Salary bill, as amended. Ordered to a third reading.

PAY OF ABSENT MEMBERS.

Mr. VANDORSTON, from the same committee, reported back a resolution regarding the pay of absentees. He submitted a report stating that the constitution provided that members receive five dollars per day; that no notice could be taken by the President of the presence or absence of members when certifying to the pay-roll. This is intended to cover the absence of members at special sessions. Postponed till to-morrow at 11 a. m.

BILL FOR THE PROTECTION OF FARMERS AND FRUIT GROWERS.

The House bill for the protection of farmers and fruit growers was read and ordered to a second reading.

MUNICIPAL TAXATION.

Mr. CRAWFORD, from the Finance Committee, reported back the bill to authorize cities and towns not exceeding 25,000 people to levy taxes for municipal purposes, and recommended its passage.

SOUTHERN INSANE ASYLUM.

Mr. MARSH, from the Committee of Public Buildings, reported back the bill making appropriation for the completion of the Southern Insane Asylum, with an amendment which was concurred in.

COMMITTEE VACANCIES.

Mr. Strevell's resolution to fill vacancies on the Committee on Fees and Salaries, coupled by absence, was called up and adopted—ayes, 32; noes, 7

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

ATTACHMENTS.

The bill in regard to attachments before Justices of the Peace was ordered to a third reading.

LIFE INSURANCE.

Mr. VOCKE's Life Insurance bill was taken up, the question being on the adoption of the amendments of the Committee of the Whole. The provisions in this bill are somewhat with one or two exceptions, in the bill reported by the Committee on Insurance.

Mr. PHELPS wanted the two considered together. He moved that the bill be referred back to the Committee on Insurance.

Mr. VOCKE defended his bill. He denied the similarity and wanted it considered first, since it was introduced first.

The motion to refer was lost. The amendments were adopted, and the bill ordered engrossed for a third reading.

JURISDICTION OF JUSTICES OF THE PEACE.

The bill to increase the jurisdiction of Justices of the Peace was read a second time and sent to the Committee of the Whole.

RAILROAD BILL.

Mr. CAMPBELL introduced the following:

Be it enacted, That neither Legislative authority, the Common Council or corporate authorities of any city shall have power to grant the use of or right to lay down any railroad track in any street to a steam railroad company, except on petition of the owners of land representing more than one-half of the frontage of the street, or so much thereof as is sought to be used for railroad purposes.

OTHER NEW BILLS.

Mr. COFER offered a bill concerning highways, roads and bridges.

Mr. HAINES introduced a bill that, in case of a total loss of insured property, the amount for which it was insured and on which a premium has been paid, shall be the measure of the liability of the company, without reference to the value of the property at the time insurance was made. It applies to domestic and foreign companies.

FARMERS' RELIEF BILL.

Mr. KOERNER introduced a bill giving farmers and fruit-growers from city taxes on the sale of their produce, when they personally offer it for sale, was passed—yeas, 34; nays, 14.

SUPREME COURT REPORTS.

The bill to regulate reporting decisions of the Supreme Court, by giving Judges authority to direct the reporter to omit decisions on matters of fact or points of law sufficiently settled, was opposed by Koerner, Richardson, and Kerrick, and supported by Merritt, Springer, and others, and lost—yeas, 56; nays, 67.

MATURITY OF BILLS, &C.

Mr. Roberts' bill, to provide for uniformity in calculating days of grace on notes, drafts, bills, and declaring that paper falling due on holidays shall be paid on the day following. The bill was passed—yeas, 89; nays, 37.

TERMS OF CIRCUIT COURTS.

The Senate bill to provide for holding special terms of Circuit Courts was passed—yeas, 123; nays, 1.

MISCELLANEOUS.

The bill authorizing the Secretary of State to buy fifteen copies of Gross' Statutes was lost—yeas, 90; nays, 31.

The bill making an appropriation for some small expenses of the last session passed—yeas, 118; nays, 4.

ADJOURNMENT RESOLUTION.

A motion to suspend the rules to let in a resolution to adjourn from Saturday next to Monday was carried—yeas, 91; nays, 6.

The resolution was adopted—yeas, 73; nays, 36, as follows:

YEAS.		
Allen,	Galloway,	Reece,
Armstrong,	Goodell,	Reise (Logan),
Austin,	Hall,	Remsberg,
Berry,	Hardman,	Rice (Peoria),
Brayton,	Hay,	Rich,
Brown (Bond),	Henry,	Richardson,
Brown (Massac),	Hildreth,	Roessler,
Campbell,	Hinrichsen,	Ross,
Cole,	Jones (Marshall),	Sage,
Cavin,	Kagay,	Sanford,
Chandler,	Kellogg,	Scates,
Clark (Kane)	Langston,	Sherrill,
Clark (LaSalle),	Lee,	Short,
Clow,	Massenberg,	Stewart,
Collins,	McConnell,	Stillwell,
Cummings,	McKinney,	Strong,
Daniels,	McMillan,	Townsend,
Davis,	Merrill,	Trimble,
Derickson,	Morrison (Cook),	Venhuis,
Dodge,	Morse,	Wells,
Dorbinson,	Musselter,	Williams,
Goodell,	Worth,	Wright,
Hardman,	Phelps,	Mr. Speaker—73.
	Pixley,	

NAYS.		
Adams,	Galagher,	Phelps,
Bangs,	Hardman,	Pixley,
Braden,	Jeffries,	Reinhardt,
Burnside,	Kenny,	Rives,
Campbell,	Kerrick,	Roberts,
Carter,	Knox,	Scranton,
Carpenter,	Koerner,	Shaw,
Clark (Cook),	Landrum,	Smith (Ogle),
Cofer,	Langston,	Smith,
Cunningham,	Lawrence,	Springer,
Daniels,	Lemma,	Strong,
Davis,	Massenberg,	Townsend,
Easley,	McConnell,	Trimble,
Edgcomb,	Miller (Kane),	Venhuis,
Ellis,	Miller (Madison),	Wells,
Flaherty,	Miller (St. Clair),	Whitney,
Galbraith,	Morrill,	Williams,
Gallagher,	Morrison (Cook),	Wilson,
Gay,	Morse,	Wright,
Goodell,	Musselter,	Mr. Speaker—36.
Hardman,	Pixley,	

NAYS.		
Allen,	Hall,	Musselter,
Armstrong,	Hardman,	Neece,
Austin,	Hay,	Olson,
Bangs,	Hickey,	Phillips,
Berry,	Hinchcliff,	Price,
Brayton,	Hindhide,	Rice,
Brooks,	Jones (Crawford),	Reese,
Brown (Bond),	Jones (Marshall),	Rumsbury,
Cavin,	Kagay,	Rice (Sangamon),
Casey (Shelby),	Kerrick,	Root,
Cavan,	Kellogg,	Scott,
Carter,	King (Cook),	Rowley,
Clark (LaSalle),	King (Jersey),	Sherrill,
Cloud (Macoupin),	Knoles,	Sanford,
Clow,	Knox,	Shaw,
Collins,	Koerner,	Smith,
Cummings,	Landrum,	Smith (Ogle),
Daniels,	Langston,	Sherrill,
Derickson,	Lee,	Sullwell,
Dodge,	Massenburg,	Sullivan,
Dorbinbaer,	McKinney,	Rowley,
Dwight,	McMillan,	Yocke,
Easton,	Meeker,	Waite,
Flaherty,	Merrill,	Watson,
Gaines,	Miller (Madison),	Webb,
Gallagher,	Morrill,	Whitney,
Gay,	Morris,	Williams,
Gass,	Morrison (Cook),	Williamson,
Gillham,	Morse,	Wight,
Galloway,		

GARNISHEES.

The bill in relation to garnishees was taken up, and there was much discussion on the change in the law by which public officials can be garnisheed like private individuals.

Mr. HAINES moved to strike out "public officials." After a long discussion the amendment was adopted. The bill was finally ordered engrossed for a third reading.

NEW YORK.

Tweed's Carpet Bag Packed, and His Flight Looked for Hourly.

How a Tammany Dead Duck is Looked Upon by His Former Friends.

The Cotton Crop---Comparative Statement.

Daily Review of the Leading Markets.

Special Despatch to The Chicago Tribune.

TWEED PACKING UP.

NEW YORK, Nov. 24.—Every hour evidence that Tweed intends to fly the country, grows stronger and stronger. Nobody doubts it any longer. His sudden departure is a foregone conclusion. Even those who have been his warmest friends and adherents have lost confidence in him, because they say he breaks his most solemn promises. They have fallen away from him almost to a man, and now denounce him as bitterly as do any of his enemies. It is stated, on excellent authority, that several days before the election he promised on oath that he would resign the Senatorship one week after he was chosen; that he wanted to be elected only to triumph over his political enemies, and his refusal to keep his word up to this time has created the indignation and wrath of his former adherents. Henry Smith, President of the Bowling Green Savings Bank, just before its suspension, appealed in the name of friendship to Tweed for a loan of $200,000. They had been very intimate. Smith had done many favors for Tweed, but the Tammany chief refused to lend a penny, declaring his pocket-book to be his only friend, and that Smith must look out for himself. Such conduct, often repeated, has had its natural effect. Numbers of Tweed's former adherents are now willing and anxious to testify against him to the grand jury, who it is believed will certainly bring in a true bill. The grand jury will examine several witnesses to-morrow. Charles O'Conor is still working hard for evidence against Tweed. It is now believed that he has nearly enough, and of a character to justify both a civil and criminal suit. Those claiming to know the facts, say the sole reason why Tweed has not gone to Europe before is that he has been unable to induce a very near friend whom he has enriched by his bounty to accompany him. When she is willing, it is alleged that they will depart.

BAULCH AND DOHERTY.

John Graham, counsel for Baulch and Doherty, in a speech this afternoon, said the men who stole the vouchers were the parties who had a motive in the disappearance of these papers. On the strength of his professional career, he believed he could put his finger on two men, high in office, who caused the disappearance of these vouchers, and who would now be occupying cells in Sing Sing, but for the fact that these vouchers could not be found. The grand jury say that Richard B. Connolly is owner of the stolen property. The party who would be injured by the production of this property would be most anxious to keep them out of sight. How does the grand jury know but these are the very papers which it was stated might not be used. The passenger list of the Famar offers some corroborative evidence, but it is possible that passages may have been secured in some other form than for a few days or six, to mislead suspicious inquirers. The officers think the removal of the baggage is explained by the fact that Tweed wished to send away his valuables in advance, and then follow them. Tweed has not made the slightest effort to be released on bail from the charges. A prominent politician, popularly supposed to be owned by Tweed, said, yesterday, that the party to which he belonged would never forgive the men in control of the Republican party, which would startle New York. It is probable that he knows more of Tweed's intentions than he chooses to confide to others.

ALDERMEN COUNTED IN.

It is reported that many Aldermen have been counted in by the canvassers.

UNJUST DISCRIMINATION.

It is rumored that a prime Captain drew $10,000 and an assistant Alderman $5,000 from the Bowling Green Savings Bank after it suspended payment.

COURT MATTERS.

Judge Bedford has reserved his decision in the case of Hodgert and Bachelor.

Judge McCunn has denied the motion for a nonsuit in the case of J. O. Davis to compel Smith, Gould & Martin to fulfill the contracts made on the Thursday preceding the celebrated black Friday.

SWAY POX.

Six additional cases of small pox to-day.

RAIN AND FRESHETS.

Several farm houses were broken up among the docks to-day, and forty arrests were made.

THE BROOKLYN BRIDGE.

The Brooklyn *Union* asserts that a prominent office holder of that city received $10,000 from Boss Tweed to secure the bill.

SCURVY.

A large number of the sailors of the Russian fleet are at the Long Island Hospital under treatment for scurvy.

SECTARIAN MUDDLE.

There is still excitement at Hunters' Point over the determination of the School Commissioners to enforce the reading of the Bible in the schools. Several children of Catholic parents have been ejected because they refused to be present at such occasions. To-day three young men, on such occasions. To-day three young men, on similar grounds, refused permission to have their children present at the exercises. They were arrested by the police.

PERSONAL.

Colonel W. R. Holloway, of the Indianapolis *Journal*, is at the Fifth Avenue Hotel.

GREELEY RETIRES.

Horace Greeley announces his retirement from the Bureau of Migration on account of his name being used in connection therewith as an inducement to emigrants to deposit money in one of the broken savings banks.

COTTON STATEMENT.

The total receipts from September 1, 1870, were 815,701; same time this year, 775,364. The total exports from September 1, 1870, were 914,088; same time this year, 880,655. Stock at all United States ports last year, 322,177; this year, 301,886. At interior towns, last year, 72,781; this year, 67,360. At Liverpool last year, 374,000; this year, 396,000. American cotton afloat for Great Britain last year, 278,000; this year, 134,000.

ARCHER HEAVY FRAUD.

A prominent ex-Judge yesterday told a reporter that the Comptroller received $160,000, and an Assemblyman $60,000 for the allowance of $600,000 of a claim made some time time ago by a contractor named Devlin, for about $2,000,000. Further developments in this matter are promised.

PROPOSED HORSE RACE.

McDaniel, the owner of Harry Russell, replies to the proposition of Mr. Gretton, the owner of the English race-horse, Sterling, for a mile and a half race in England, in 1872, for $10,000, that he (McDaniel), can only consent to having the race take place in this country.

A FOOT RACE.

Alderman Millar, yesterday, won a foot race of ten miles, from Broadway to Bay Side, Long Island, beating John C. Heenan, for a "stake" of $200.

CONTESTED ELECTION DECIDED.

In the contest for member of the assembly, between Anthony Fryar and Thomas Killian, the Committee on Protest decide against Killian. The latter was the candidate of the Reformers, while Frear is the Tammany candidate.

CANADIAN ANNEXATION.

The Colonial Advocate, Montreal, composed of British colonists residing in the United States, met last night and passed resolutions in favor of annexation, and resolved to communicate with the colonists of Chicago, Buffalo, and St. Louis, and create a co-operative organization.

Morgan Jones, for many years a leading Tammanyite, said yesterday that he felt sure that, "if Tweed should fail to see the necessity for his retirement, the prominent men of the party will feel a necessity for enforcing his retirement, by all legitimate means."

SWEENEY.

Sweeney has been obliged to resign as a member of the Union Club.

HALL.

Mayor Hall has not yet acted upon the request for his resignation.

THE FLORIDA.

The owner of the steamer Florida has addressed a despatch to the Secretary of the Navy, stating that he has sent instructions to St. Thomas, ordering the Florida to sail at all hazards, and asking the protection of the department.

DEATH.

C. B. Woodruff, an ex-Senator, died here yesterday.

WASHINGTON.

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THE KENTUCKY WAR CLAIM.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 24.—Attorney General Akerman, Solicitor General Bristow, and Assistant Attorney General Hill all spoke in the Supreme Court to-day against the authority of the court to issue a *mandamus* compelling Secretary Boutwell to sign a warrant for the Kentucky war claims.

SUITS AGAINST DEFAULTERS.

Solicitor Bonfield reports to the secretary of the Treasury that the number of suits for the year against defaulting officers, or their Bonds, and for fines, penalties, &c., was 2,116, and the amount involved $12,500,000. Four hundred and ninety-three suits were decided in favor of the United States, and twenty-five against. Three hundred and eighty-seven were settled and dismissed, with three pending at the beginning of the year 2,504 suits were disposed of, and the whole amount collected $1,200,000, against $477,000 last year.

THE FINANCE COMMITTEE'S SESSIONS.

It appears that the sessions of the Finance Committee were not harmonious. There was a long and very discussion which demonstrated that the members thereof were at variance in their opinions of the existing tariff laws, and the manner in which they should be amended. In the absence of any agreement as to what specific commodities should be relieved, it was the informal understanding that the committee should make no report to the Senate, but should rather wait until the Ways and Means Committee has been announced in the House, and then consult with the latter as to a reduction of 10 per cent on imports of all kinds.

[To the Associated Press.]

THE GAZAGI SUSPENDED.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 24.—The management of the Russian Legation reports that Count Catacazy to General Gorloff, whose residence has been at Hartford as military attache of legation. This candidate will live there as a private citizen, the five authorities in his new position. This change relieves the President of the unpleasant duty which Catacazy's conduct had otherwise made a necessity, of sending his passport to the Minister, and thus regarding as a proclamation in defiance with the request of this government for his recall. It is understood that Catacazy has been ordered by his government to wait upon the Grand Duke during his tour in this country, and to return to Russia immediately on its close.

PACIFIC COAST.

General Schofield's Ultimatum With the Arizona Apaches---Peace or Extermination---Arrival of Alleged Mutineers---The Great Turner-Orth Breach of Promise Suit.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Nov. 24.—General Schofield, Commander of the District of the Pacific, has issued a stringent order concerning the operations against the Arizona Apaches, the effect of which will be to compel them to loose between going on a reservation, being protected and fed, and remaining there, or extermination. The order was received with glee in San Francisco, as it is believed that, if it is carried out, it will settle the question, and give lasting peace to the Territory.

Eight Marquesas Islanders, alleged mutineers from the crew of the whaling bark Roman, of New London, were brought here from Honolulu, Sandwich Islands, this week, for trial, but the Captain has gone East, and, probably, there will be no prosecution.

The weather continues extremely hot and dry. The trial of the great breach of promise suit of Catherine Turner, of Wells Fargo & Co., formerly a school teacher, and subsequently an employe in the United States Mint here, and more recently the Treasury Department at Washington, and daughter of Admiral Turner, of the United States navy, against Senor Calidono Orth, a banker of Hermosillo, Mexico, for $100,000 damages, for trifling with the Hawes contested will case. The plaintiff and defendant have been engaged under promise of marriage, while acting as governess for his children, and that their criminal intimacy continued for several years, there and in this city. She claims $100,000 damages.

—The steamer Andy Johnson sank on Thursday, thirteen miles below Quincy. The captain reports that he was on the texas of the boat when notified that she was filling with water, but he had felt no shock. He immediately ordered the yawl-boat run on a bar close at hand, and at once ander-took to stop the hole in the boat's hull with bed-clothing. This was unsuccessful, however, and before the boat could reach the bar, she sank in six feet of water. She had a large cargo, and many passengers. The latter remained on the boat until Friday morning. The Captain will endeavor to save the boat; but, as the low is floating freely in the river, there is very little hope. The Andy Johnson was one of the finest boats of the McOune line, and valued at $140,000.

—Hine, arrested in San Francisco for the robbery of the Napierville Bank of Great Barrington, Mass., confesses everything. He will be taken back immediately for trial.

—It is currently reported that the Stockton & Copperopolis and Stockton & Visalia Railroads have been sold to the Central Pacific, which with the exception of the short line in Los Angeles County, now owns every railroad in California.

FOREIGN.

The Prince of Wales Seriously Ill.

The London Times Predicts Grant's Renomination and Election.

Demonstrations in Paris in Favor of the Ex-Emperor Napoleon.

Great Britain.

LONDON, Nov. 24.—There was a Fenian procession and meeting in Cork, last night, in honor of the martyrs of Manchester, in which some 6,000 people took part. The proceedings were orderly.

The condition of the Prince of Wales is no better this morning, and apprehensions of an unfavorable turn are expressed, especially as it is remembered that Prince Albert, his father, died of a similar complaint, after a sudden attack and a brief illness. Rumors on Change are that his case is worse than represented.

The *Times* to-day in a leading editorial, declares its belief that Grant's re-election is certain.

Subscriptions to the Chicago Relief Fund at the Mansion House, during the present week, will swell the total to £40,000.

It is now certain that eight persons lost their lives by the explosion of the colliery at Wigan, a week ago last Wednesday.

The ship Nonpareil, which left Bombay July 19, for New York, foundered at sea, and all but three of the crew were drowned.

LONDON, Nov. 24.—The *Times* grounds its belief in the re-election of Grant, because of the fact that he has brought about a reconciliation of the United States with England, and has effected a reduction of the national debt. It continues in terms of the highest praise of President Grant, and declares that his consent to hold office is a benefit to his country, and expects a million and a half of votes in his favor at the Presidential election.

John Rankin has been elected Rector of the University of St. Andrews.

Belgium.

BRUSSELS, Nov. 24.—The action of the Chamber of Representatives, yesterday, in voting to support the government in suppressing the right of order to be Governor of the Province of Limburg, gave rise to another exciting debate to-day. During the discussion a member of the Left demanded that the Ministry tender their resignations.

The *Independance Belge*, to-day, says it has reason to believe that the Government of France has notified that of England of its intention to terminate the international commercial treaty.

The Chamber finally adjourned until Tuesday next. Subsequently a meeting was held before the residence of Nothomb, member of the Right, who made himself particularly obnoxious in supporting the appointment of M. de Decker, and the same cry disorderly, their actions culminating in the smashing of the windows of the house. So far the manifestations of the kind, to which an alarm was sounded, and the civic guard mustered in strong force. There are fears of serious disturbances.

France.

PARIS, Nov. 24.—Thiers received the Chinese Embassy yesterday evening. The Chief Ambassador expressed a hope that the treaty relations between France and China would be maintained, to which Thiers replied, "Your Government must give proof that our missionaries and Consuls are respected. This is absolutely necessary for the preservation of peace between France and China." The President's tone was emphatic. The Ambassadors withdrew deeply impressed.

PARIS, Nov. 24.—A large number of sympathizers with the ex-Emperor Napoleon to-day left Paris to visit the tomb at Chiselhurst. They reversed the Fulbourg Saint Germain with shouts of *Vive Napoleon*. No attempt was made by the police to interfere with the demonstration.

Germany.

BERLIN, Nov. 24.—The commission to-day reported favorably on the Reichstag's scheme for the maintenance of the army. They estimate the annual expenditure for the regular troops, based upon a force of 401,000 men, exclusive of officers, at about 96,359,000 thalers, and recommend the appropriation of 226 thalers per head for that number of soldiers, making for the ensuing three years. Parliament has not yet taken action upon the subject.

Italy.

NEW YORK, Nov. 24.—A London special to the *World* says: "A distinguished Cardinal informs the statement that the Pope will not leave Rome unless he is compelled to do so by physical force or personal violence.

Spain.

MADRID, Nov. 24.—The *Correspondencia* says the answers which have been made to recent private inquiries show that Great Britain is ready to receive favorably from Spain proposals for the restitution of Gibraltar.

Austria.

VIENNA, Nov. 24.—Prince Auersperg has succeeded in forming a new Cesslethian Ministry. The Cabinet has been completed as follows: President of the Council, Prince Auersperg; Minister of the Interior, Lasser; Minister of Commerce, Fritzler; Minister of Agriculture, Borcban; Minister of War, Chlumetzkil; Minister of Justice, Glaser; Minister of Public Instruction and Worship, Streymer; Minister of Finance, Hasner. The appointment of these names was well received.

Movements of Prince Alexis.

ANNAPOLIS, Nov. 24.—The Grand Duke Alexis and suite, accompanied by Secretary Robeson, arrived here at 8 o'clock a. m. During the night a storm but few persons gathered at the depot. The Prince and party entered a carriage and were driven to the naval grounds. They were received by a battalion of marines with the order of present arms, the band playing the national air, and the marines firing the usual salute of 21 guns was held from battery on the play ground. The party were received at the Superintendent's quarters by Commodore Worden. The Prince was introduced to many ladies. The visitors then proceeded to the parade ground where the cadets went through the usual military drill and parade, and saluted the Duke as they marched past. The parade being over, the gunship Santee was visited, where another national salute of 21 guns was fired. After visiting the shipyards they inspected the various departments of the academy. In the Ordnance Museum the battle-flags captured in Corea were objects of special interest. The inspection of the Regiments being over, at 1:30 p. m. they returned to the quarters of the commander. Here a large party had assembled, and the guests were invited to partake of a collation. Alexis responded to the toast to the Emperor of Russia by one to the President of the United States. Admiral Poinset responded to a toast to the Russian Navy with the following: "The prosperity of the renowned institution we have just inspected—may it continue its great usefulness, and produce more men like Farragut, Porter, and Worden, to adorn their country's history."

The Duke and party left at 3 o'clock for New York, where the Grand Duke will remain until about December 5, when he will visit Boston, Albany, Montreal, and then proceed West, after which he will visit some of the Southern States.

MONETARY.

FRIDAY EVENING, Nov. 24.

Nearly all the banks still report large deposits, and the aggregate amount held by them to be increasing rather than diminishing. We have seen the footings of the general accounts of a number of the banks during the past few days, and find this to be generally the case. Large amounts of insurance are being paid, and the pork packers who are packing on Eastern account are moving funds from New York here, to pay their contracts during the next few weeks. But it cannot be expected that this easy condition of things will last; there has been an enormous rise in the capital here, and unless new men with additional capital come in to transact the business that will be done here, there must be a sale for ready money some time between this and next spring. Thus far, however, the paper offering at the banks has been paid with remarkable promptness. As near as we can estimate, from the experience of five or six banks, the aggregate amount of loans of all the banks now outstanding, is about one-third less than it was on October 7. Since October 17 the banks have taken new paper to an Indian Orchard G. 12c; Newmarket A, 11 1-2c; Amoskeag S brown Canton flannels, 16c; Tremont 7 do, 14 1-2c; do A do, 13c; Nantucket A bleaching do, 12c; Newmarket A bleached shirtings, 13 1-2c; do W do, 16c; Ocean L do, 14c; Hill's Nonpareil, 16c; Forestdale do, 14 1-2. Prints and Ginghams are reduced to 11 1-2c. All leading brands of paper cambrics are 10c for plain and 12c for high colors. Delaines are 25c. Merrimac fancy shirtings at 17 1-2c, while desirable styles command 20c. Fancy prints, 11 1-2c; Harlet's Swiss and rubies, 12c; Richmond, 11c; Allen's, 10c; Cocheco, 10c; Cameilon linseys, 21 1-2c; Boston stripes, 10a 10 1-2c; Washington cambrics, 8 1-2c, and 9 1-2c for common to high colors.

The Produce Markets.

NEW YORK.

NEW YORK, Nov. 24.—COTTON—In fair demand and higher; middling upland, 19c.

BREADSTUFFS—Flour dull and lower; receipts, 14,000 bbls; sales, 8,000 bbls; superfine Western and State, $5.10a5.40; common to medium extra, $5.35a5.45; good to choice, $5.50a7.15; white wheat extra, $7.15a7.30; choice do, $7.35a7.50; Ohio dull at $5.50a7.15; St. Louis, $5.70a5.95. Rye firm; flour quiet at $4.50a5.25. Corn meal unchanged. Wheat dull and a shade lower; receipts, 156,000 bu; No. 1 spring nominal; No. 2 dull at $1.30; No. 3 dull at $1.20a1.52; winter red Western dull at $1.60a1.64; amber State, $1.62a1.67; white do, $1.71a1.73. Rye nominal at 94a95c. Barley and malt unchanged. Corn dull and lower; receipts, 116,000 bu; Western mixed, 48a49c; white do, 50a51c; yellow do, 50a51c; old Western mixed, 52a53c; white do, 54a55c; yellow do, 54a55c. Oats dull and lower; receipts, 116,000 bu; Western mixed, 37a38c; white do, 39a40c; State, 37a38c.

PROVISIONS—Pork quiet; jobbing lots, cash, $12.75; seller February, $13.00. Beef steady; mess, $8.50a9.00; extra mess, $9.50a10.00; India mess, $17.00a18.00. Cut meats quiet; pickled hams, 9 1-2a10c; pickled bellies, 8 1-2a9c; pickled shoulders, 6 1-2a7c; middles dull; long clear, 7 1-2a8c; short clear, 8 1-2a9c. Lard steady at 9 1-4a9 1-2c. Butter—Western dull and heavy; State, 20a30c; Western, 20a30c. Cheese steady at 9 1-4a9 1-2c

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SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 1871.

A SOBER LOOK AT THE CHICAGO OF TO-DAY.

The St. Louis *Republican*, a short time since, had a long editorial under the heading of this article, which fairly stated the "three stages or conditions of feeling that invariably follow such a colossal calamity as that which has recently smitten Chicago from its pride of place, and prostrated it, temporarily at least, in the dust of humiliation." First comes "the horror and despair which overcome the stricken heart when confronted by witness or endure the destructive forces of nature." Second, "a certain nervous, spasmodic energy, in which the mind seeks relief from the emotional effects of the terrible visitation." Third, "the gradual return of mental equilibrium, when the situation is calmly and intelligently viewed, and the community, having formed something like an accurate estimate of the misfortune, * * * confront the task of reconstruction." In the opinion of the *Republican*, Chicago has now reached this third step in her bitter emergency.

Regarding the loss by the great fire, the *Republican* has sensibly come to the conclusion that the actual amount is not likely ever to be ascertained. It went, however, a step too far in giving THE TRIBUNE as its authority for placing the loss "in the neighborhood of $100,000,000." The motive charitably assigned for naming this sum "is a natural desire to lessen the magnitude of the blow, and place the prospects of the city in the best possible light." And this is done, it would seem, with the view to deceive "this rough, practical, and slightly selfish world" into investing its spare funds in the effort to repair the waste places of Chicago.

Chicagoans have always claimed to be very practical, matter-of-fact people, and, judged by their acts, the claim may be considered well established. Nothing could be more firmly rooted and grounded in their minds than the simple fact that a false showing of their affairs is not likely to help them in bringing to their aid, in the work of reconstructing their city, the capital of those living outside their borders. The *Republican* seems not to comprehend this fact. Would it be very uncharitable to suppose that it does not want to do so? Or that what it so slyly imputes to Chicago would have been practised by St. Louis were she reduced to the condition of the former?

The *Republican* is not over-sanguine as to Chicago's ability to recover from the calamity that has come upon her. At the best, she has a hard road to travel, the end of which she is not likely to reach in a hurry. We will not think of "railways," with which, thanks to her foresight and liberality, she has surrounded herself, "she would never lift her head to half its former height." So says the *Republican*; and we must, of course, bow to the decision of so august an authority! But, then, Chicago *has* her great railway system, and, what is far more to the point, she is going to keep and use it wisely and well. Take comfort, O Chicago! for the *Republican* has declared that, with the aid of your railways, you "may, and probably will, cling to the old eminence."

Taken as a whole, the *Republican's* sermon is a most amusing medley of sense and nonsense,—the latter largely predominating. After describing, as of the flimsiest character, the buildings now being put up, which is perfectly true, it gravely asserts that "no decent insurance company will issue policies on them, except at rates amounting almost to prohibition, if not at all." And, as it cannot be insured, of course no one in the East will dare to sell merchandise to Chicago. It was meet that this should be followed by the assertion that "It should be borne in mind, too, that the unburnt portion of the city is not much, if any, better than the tinder-box quarters where the flames originated. Another kerosene lamp kicked over by a cow might easily finish what is left; at least, underwriters will be apt to take this view of the subject."

Now, if any underwriter has been so silly as "to take this view of the subject," a subscription should forthwith be started to buy him a ticket on some out-going train. Nothing is impossible, but it is highly improbable that Chicago will again be destroyed by fire. —at least, not till that great and terrible day comes to consume the earth, and even St. Louis may not escape its ravages.

The extraordinary vigilance of our people, as shown in the precautions they have adopted to guard against and suppress fire, chiefly on account of our temporary buildings, makes Chicago to-day a not extra-hazardous risk. No doubt many underwriters will dissent from this opinion; it is their interest to do so; and, in the circumstances, it is too much to expect of them an impartial judgment. But the time is coming, and is not far distant, when sensible people, both in and out of Chicago, will adopt as their view of the underwriters' business. It is only reasonable to expect that the power of public opinion, if not self-interest, will ere long compel insurance companies not to discriminate against Chicago in the same class of risks as compared, say, with St. Louis.

Another statement of the *Republican*, on the alleged authority of THE TRIBUNE, is to the effect that the "most prominent Chicago merchants find it extremely difficult, if not impossible, to purchase goods in Eastern markets without responsible endorsers." Then it adds, on its own account, "And no one can blame the jobbers and importers of New York, Boston, and Philadelphia for taking these precautions; it were madness not to do so." The reason it alleges for this is, that "The richest Chicago firms are pushed so closely to the edge of the precipice that a single additional touch will plunge them into irretrievable ruin, and the ruin will come, unless commercial headway can be made at once."

Now, it is utterly false that the "most prominent" Chicago merchants find any difficulty whatever in purchasing goods in the East "without responsible endorsers." Where, in the name of common sense, do these endorsers belong? What are their names? Who are the "most prominent" Chicagoans referred to by the *Republican*? Let it furnish their names, and so settle the matter. Let it also publish a list of the brave band of jobbers. Chicago should delight to honor the men who so magnanimously come to her relief in the hour of need. The truth is, the state of things described in the *Republican* exists only in the fertile imagination of its editors. Perhaps the wish is father to the thought.

The work before us is indeed very great, and the difficulties in our way seem almost insurmountable. But those who know us best have an abiding faith that we shall overcome them in the end. Anything we'll e begun we shall do, as says the proverb. If we face the situation as we should, we shall greatly lighten the load we have to bear. Let those who cannot meet their obligations at maturity settle with their creditors now, instead of hampering the future with promises which, in the nature of things, they cannot redeem, or, at any rate, not without the greatest difficulty and much sacrifice. Bear in mind that the jealousy of rivals is not dead yet, but only put to sleep for a time by general sympathy for the great calamity that has befallen us. It is sure to awake with renewed strength. And, what it has failed to wrest from us by fair means, it will seek to accomplish by foul misrepresentations, just as soon as it may safely make the attempt. This winter is going to try the mettle we are made of. If we stand the test, and wisely collect and consolidate our forces for the springtime, the future is all in our own hands. Shall we do this, and so give the lie to the predictions of the *Republican*?

THE STATE REVENUE LAW.

Our Springfield correspondent has furnished a statement of some of the perplexities which embarrass the Legislature in the consideration of the bill to reorganize the revenue system of the State. Land is an immovable property, always visible, and can be readily found by an assessor of taxes. Not a foot of taxable land within the State escapes his visitation. The owners of this land, finding themselves thus taxed, naturally seek to have every other description of property taxed in the same manner. It is because the land-owners are taxed that our Revenue bill is made as searching and as sweeping as it is. But the result is not quite satisfactory. Personal property does escape assessment, and much of that which is assessed escapes taxation because of the want of means to enforce the payment of the tax. Upon the subject of personal tax, the farmers of this State honestly, but unconsciously, oppress themselves. The personal property on a farm is easily computed. Every man in the agricultural districts knows exactly how many horses, cows, mules, cattle, hogs, sheep, wagons, carts, and implements, each of his neighbors has, and can estimate to a dollar the value of the household furniture and buildings owned by every other farmer. To those districts there is nothing "that doth witness bear" when compelled to swear or endure the destructive forces of nature." Second, "a certain nervous, spasmodic energy, in which the mind seeks relief from the emotional effects of the terrible visitation." Third, "the gradual return of mental equilibrium, when the situation is calmly and intelligently viewed, and the community, having formed something like an accurate estimate of the misfortune, * * * confront the task of reconstruction." In the opinion of the *Republican*, Chicago has now reached this third step in her bitter emergency.

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Chicagoans have always claimed to be very practical, matter-of-fact people, and, judged by their acts, the claim may be considered well established. Nothing could be more firmly rooted and grounded in their minds than the simple fact that a false showing of their affairs is not likely to help them in bringing to their aid, in the work of reconstructing their city, the capital of those living outside their borders. The *Republican* seems not to comprehend this fact. Would it be very uncharitable to suppose that it does not want to do so? Or that what it so slyly imputes to Chicago would have been practised by St. Louis were she reduced to the condition of the former?

The *Republican* is not over-sanguine as to Chicago's ability to recover from the calamity that has come upon her. At the best, she has a hard road to travel, the end of which she is not likely to reach in a hurry. We will not think of "railways," with which, thanks to her foresight and liberality, she has surrounded herself, "she would never lift her head to half its former height." So says the *Republican*; and we must, of course, bow to the decision of so august an authority! But, then, Chicago *has* her great railway system, and, what is far more to the point, she is going to keep and use it wisely and well. Take comfort, O Chicago! for the *Republican* has declared that, with the aid of your railways, you "may, and probably will, cling to the old eminence."

Taken as a whole, the *Republican's* sermon is a most amusing medley of sense and nonsense,—the latter largely predominating. After describing, as of the flimsiest character, the buildings now being put up, which is perfectly true, it gravely asserts that "no decent insurance company will issue policies on them, except at rates amounting almost to prohibition, if not at all." And, as it cannot be insured, of course no one in the East will dare to sell merchandise to Chicago. It was meet that this should be followed by the assertion that "It should be borne in mind, too, that the unburnt portion of the city is not much, if any, better than the tinder-box quarters where the flames originated. Another kerosene lamp kicked over by a cow might easily finish what is left; at least, underwriters will be apt to take this view of the subject."

Now, if any underwriter has been so silly as "to take this view of the subject," a subscription should forthwith be started to buy him a ticket on some out-going train. Nothing is impossible, but it is highly improbable that Chicago will again be destroyed by fire. —at least, not till that great and terrible day comes to consume the earth, and even St. Louis may not escape its ravages.

The extraordinary vigilance of our people, as shown in the precautions they have adopted to guard against and suppress fire, chiefly on account of our temporary buildings, makes Chicago to-day a not extra-hazardous risk. No doubt many underwriters will dissent from this opinion; it is their interest to do so; and, in the circumstances, it is too much to expect of them an impartial judgment. But the time is coming, and is not far distant, when sensible people, both in and out of Chicago, will adopt as their view of the underwriters' business. It is only reasonable to expect that the power of public opinion, if not self-interest, will ere long compel insurance companies not to discriminate against Chicago in the same class of risks as compared, say, with St. Louis.

Another statement of the *Republican*, on the alleged authority of THE TRIBUNE, is to the effect that the "most prominent Chicago merchants find it extremely difficult, if not impossible, to purchase goods in Eastern markets without responsible endorsers." Then it adds, on its own account, "And no one can blame the jobbers and importers of New York, Boston, and Philadelphia for taking these precautions; it were madness not to do so." The reason it alleges for this is, that "The richest Chicago firms are pushed so closely to the edge of the precipice that a single additional touch will plunge them into irretrievable ruin, and the ruin will come, unless commercial headway can be made at once."

Now, it is utterly false that the "most prominent" Chicago merchants find any difficulty whatever in purchasing goods in the East "without responsible endorsers." Where, in the name of common sense, do these endorsers belong? What are their names? Who are the "most prominent" Chicagoans referred to by the *Republican*? Let it furnish their names, and so settle the matter. Let it also publish a list of the brave band of jobbers. Chicago should delight to honor the men who so magnanimously come to her relief in the hour of need. The truth is, the state of things described in the *Republican* exists only in the fertile imagination of its editors. Perhaps the wish is father to the thought.

The work before us is indeed very great, and the difficulties in our way seem almost insurmountable. But those who know us best have an abiding faith that we shall overcome them in the end. Anything we'll e begun we shall do, as says the proverb. If we face the situation as we should, we shall greatly lighten the load we have to bear. Let those who cannot meet their obligations at maturity settle with their creditors now, instead of hampering the future with promises which, in the nature of things, they cannot redeem, or, at any rate, not without the greatest difficulty and much sacrifice. Bear in mind that the jealousy of rivals is not dead yet, but only put to sleep for a time by general sympathy for the great calamity that has befallen us. It is sure to awake with renewed strength. And, what it has failed to wrest from us by fair means, it will seek to accomplish by foul misrepresentations, just as soon as it may safely make the attempt. This winter is going to try the mettle we are made of. If we stand the test, and wisely collect and consolidate our forces for the springtime,

race. In the settlement of this question the savage has these advantages: that he is familiar with the Territory and wild life, and with the style of fighting which must be resorted to there, and that he is entirely unrestrained by any civilized regulations as to the means by which he shall inflict injury upon his natural enemy, the white pioneer. The hosts of civilization, on the contrary, have the advantage of superior intellect to organize and fortify against the fiends of the scalping knife, and to combine a portion of them against another, so that, perchance, one Apache may rid the world of another, and thus demonstrate that, in the vast economy of nature, even Apaches were not made in vain.

Of this advantage Mr. Vincent Colyer, armed with his authority as Commissioner of the government, comes in and robs the civilized element. The moment General Crook had perfected a system of defence against the bloody raids of the Apaches up on the citizens of Arizona, Colyer came dashing up, as a peace ally of the savages. He steers straight by all the white men of the Territory, and goes for the most influential Apache in each neighborhood.—the Bess Tweed of a particular tribe. Him he approaches, bearing precious gifts of red blankets, scalping-knives, tobacco, whiskey, rifles, gunpowder, and stove-pipe hats. He says to him: "My dear Blue-Gizzard-of-the-Night (or whatever the influential Apache's name may be), I bet you will accept these as a token that the Great Father loves you, and wishes to make a good citizen and a member of Congress of you. These soldiers and vigilants who try to shoot you are bad men. We are your true friends. The virtuous, now, dear Blue-Gizzard-of-the-Moon, and we will give you some more fire-water and gunpowder by and by. *Good day.*" And Mr. Vincent Colyer departs for the wigwam of the next influential Apache,—perhaps the Chief of the Pinal Apaches, or the Tontas, or the Coyoteros, or the Yavapais—the last named being one of the tribes who have gone into the Apache business (scalping and assumed the name of that tribe as a formal and deliberate declaration of their intention to make war upon the white race henceforth. But Mr. Vincent Colyer takes care that he gets out of the way of his hopeful *proteges* before their supply of groceries gives out, or is sold out, so that the inevitable reaction accompanying that fact does not fall upon the head of Vincent Colyer.

The consequences of this kind of policy toward the Apaches are such as we heard of the other day, when the coach-load of passengers on the Wickenburg route were compelled to walk, in certain counties, any more than 6 per cent for the use of money. Has it ever occurred to these persons that taxation has very much to do with the rent or hire of money? The national bonds offer the best standard of the value of money. These bonds, at present prices, do not pay their holders over 15½ per cent. interest. The five per cents, known as 10-40 bonds are within a fraction of par in gold. If money were really worth more than that, no person would continue his investments in that line of securities. The difference between that standard of money rent and the rent demanded for its use on other security, is due to a variety of causes, of which taxation is the principal one. One of the special objects of attack in all these legislative revenue bills are mortgages. The whole population wants to borrow money on mortgage, and are wildly excited upon the subject of the rates of interest, yet it is considered highly improper for any person to suggest that mortgages ought not to be taxed. Assuming that the aggregate tax for all purposes in a county is 2 per cent, it is expected that money will be carried to that county and loaned at 6 per cent, the lender to pay 2 per cent tax on the investment. In every town and village in all the State there are men who fail to understand why money will not seek investment in mortgage, where it can be taxed; and there are intelligent persons who fail to understand that, when money is loaned on a mortgage that is to be taxed, the lender necessarily includes in his interest and other charges the amount of the tax, and thus compels the borrower to pay the tax, not only on the property mortgaged, but also on the amount of the mortgage. Yet there are gentlemen in our Legislature who think by such a proceeding they "make capital" to submit to submit to "sovereign State." No proposition is plainer than that a tax upon mortgages is the levy of a duplicate tax upon the mortgaged property. Farmer Smith has land worth $10,000. This he mortgages for the sum of $5,000, and with the money thus obtained erects buildings, or buys horses and cattle. The Assessor values the farm with the additional property at $15,000, and it pays taxes according. But there is also a tax on the mortgage, which tax, being included in the interest, is also paid by the borrower, who therefore pays a tax on $20,000 of property, when he has but $15,000 in all.

If, instead of taxing every manner and form of business upon gross earnings, to be ascertained by inquisitorial researches into private affairs, the State might substitute a license system, graded according to the character of the business, the revenue of the State would be largely increased from this source, and thousands who now pay no tax at all, and never will pay any under the present system, would be compelled to pay their just proportion. A license system, properly adjusted, would yield more revenue to the State than is now obtained from taxes on personal property, and would reach an immense number who now pay no tax. A repeal of all taxes on personal property could then take place, and the greatest relief afforded by such repeal would be to the farmers, who now pay taxes on the last sheep and hog, when other classes practically escape that tax.

CAJOLING THE APACHES.

Mr. Vincent Colyer paid a visit recently to his Apaches.

A short time afterward, the Apaches made a descent upon the citizens and inoculated in Arizona, murdering and scalping, among others, a stage coach full of Eastern people.

The relation between these two circumstances, as cause and effect, is fully as close as the proximity of their mention would indicate. The so-called peace policy in the management of the Indians—that is, the policy of hiring them to refrain from scalping the white inhabitants of the Territories, and raising their allowances as often as they raise a new lot of scalps—has, we are now sure, proved a most lamentable failure, as far as the more savage class of the Indian tribes are concerned. This policy has now had a fair trial, having been in operation considerably over a year, and having after much expense to the government, and much suffering among the white population of the frontier, brought the vexed Indian question no nearer its solution than ever before; unless we may accept as its obvious lesson the fact that the way to do with the Apaches *is* to subdue their warlike propensities by showing them that we are their superiors.

The peace policy, or, as some have denominated it, the parlor policy, of managing the aboriginal tribes may be, and doubtless is, the correct one in regard to some tribes, as those of the Oceanic country and others further west and north—say the Navajos, the Pawnees, and a part of the Pintes. As to the more savage tribes, like the Apaches, Comanches, Brule Sioux, etc., there is only one method of civilization to which they will pay any respect, and that is its cannon and carbines. The effect of the moral-suasion policy,—perverted, be it is, by the rationing, cheating, debauching, and arming powers, is only to demoralize, and make more rapacious and less tractable. Governor Safford undoubtedly states the case with perfect accuracy when he says: "The more the Indians are fed, and protected at peace, the greater has been the destruction of life and property; and, after remaining for a time at the posts, they, in every instance save one, left without any pretended excuse, and engaged in open war. Such has been our experience with the Apache Indians."

The question, in the frontier Territories, is whether the principal occupancy of the lands there lying shall be for the purposes of civilization, or for the savage prowlings and burrowings and slaughters of the Apache

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The Richmond *Enquirer* prints the following letter in explanation of the vindictive feeling which has cropped out in the South, to some extent, since the Chicago fire, manifesting itself in certain newspaper articles rejoicing over the terrible event. A good deal of this unbecomingness has connected itself with an alleged letter from a "prominent" Chicago newspaper concern, which contained an insulting tender of a Confederate note in aid of some Southern charity. This insulting letter has, in some cases, been charged upon THE TRIBUNE, and one fellow (the Postmaster of a Georgia town) transmitted to this office, promptly after the fire, a badly mis-spelled, but very sarcastic, dispatch, referring to the letter, and offering a Confederate fifty-dollar note for the benefit of the Chicago sufferers. A perusal of the letter will explain the origin of all these mysterious allusions:

OFFICE OF THE CHICAGO REPUBLICAN, }
CHICAGO, Dec. [illegible], 1871.

Mrs. E. A. F. Meers, Treasurer S. C. S. A. (Southern Orphans' Relief Association), Mrs. C. V. Bolling, Acting secretary pro tem.

ESTEEMED LADIES: In response to your request for a contribution in aid of the destitute children of deceased Confederate soldiers, please find inclosed $50 in the currency of the deceased Confederacy, and which we trust, in testifying delicacy and prine of the Southern people forbids the idea of conditioning the establishment upon the receipt of a like sum in U. S. currency. We cordially coincide with this policy, and as ordinary charities are supported, all over the backs," you will appreciate that lofty scorn of chivalric propriety which leads us to contribute to the support of a charity which, in common with which is opposed in all respects to greenbacks. Yours, very truly,

THE CHICAGO REPUBLICAN CO.

The letter is certainly a very low-thing expression, and could not have met, even on the day after the Confederacy surrendered, any endorsement from the real patriotism of the North. It is unfair, however, to charge it upon any "prominent Chicago newspaper," or try to establish abroad an impression that its discourteous utterance is general. Even were, a fair expression of Chicago feeling. The claims of suffering women and children are superior to all other considerations, and are so regarded by the people of Chicago,—as, we have no doubt, the ladies named in the above letter can testify, regarding the people of Chicago in general. We hope they will do so, and thereby discourage, as far as possible, the fiendish utterances which are occasionally appearing as from Southern writers and speakers, jubilant over the "retribution" which has been meted out to Chicago. It is within our knowledge that after the close of the war, large donations were made by citizens of Chicago, to provide the suffering people of Mississippi and Louisiana with food and seed to enable them to resume the cultivation of their desolated fields and plantations.

The Philadelphia *Ledger*, of November 20, feeds up the tonnage of coal mined in that State this year as follows:

	1870.	1871.
Anthracite, tons	14,318,304	13,643,356
Bituminous, tons	1,497,591	1,926,439

There was a decrease in the tonnage of anthracite coal, as compared with last year, of 675,000 tons, and an increase in that of bituminous coal of 428,000 tons. The *Ledger* calls attention to the fact that, notwithstanding the reduced production of authracite, prices do not advance, and says that, "It is now manifest that there is no market for the usual estimated annual increase of 10 per cent in consumption." The same paper gives the following explanation:

Indeed, less coal for domestic purposes, it is believed, will be marketed the current year than there was last year, for several alleged causes, prominent among which is greater economy observed in the use of coal, and the fact that last year's long suspension in the anthracite region taught the manufacturing consumers the economy, under forced high prices of anthracite, of using bituminous coal, from which users do not immediately return when anthracite prices fall.

The high prices of anthracite coal produced a wonderful change in the use of coal for domestic purposes in this city. The large supply of bituminous coal, of fine qualities, from Indiana, Ohio, and from this State, has enabled our people to dispense with anthracite to a large extent. In all establishments where coal is used for generating steam, there has been a general adoption of the new and better grades of bituminous coal from the Western coal fields, which is now reaching here in large quantities, and at low prices. The anthracite monopolists have overreached themselves in their exactions.

The State Senate on Thursday passed a timely resolution urging upon Congress the expediency of a repeal of the duties on lumber. We regret that the resolution was opposed by members who desire to have other articles included. Gentlemen who refuse to accept a repeal of the duties on lumber because they cannot have the duties on iron repealed at the same time, stand in the way of all tariff reform, and, though they may not so intend, they practically co-operate with the monopolists in their efforts to prevent any reform. We hope this resolution will pass in the House without any amendment. There must be a beginning somewhere. Let us begin with lumber. It yields no revenue and is a most oppressive tax. The taxes on coal, and iron, and salt are oppressive, but we weaken the effect of the resolution when we encumber it with a long string of articles. In that form it becomes but a general protest against the tariff, and a demand for a general reduction of taxes. A general resolution of that kind, however proper, wants that directness and force which a resolution like that passed by the Senate calling for the repeal of the duties on a particular article. We hope that the friends of revenue reform, of all parties, will resolutely vote down all propositions to amend this resolution, and will pass it as it stands, —a request by the State of Illinois that the tax on lumber be repealed.

The Democratic party is just now terribly worried upon the subject of "passivism," or whether it shall, in 1872, permit the election to go by default. A writer in a Chicago paper, while rejecting passivism, brings himself to the conclusion that the time has come when the Democratic party must make concessions. Whereupon, the Springfield *Register*, which, perhaps, more than any other paper in the State, is recognized as an organ of Democratic sentiment, breaks out in the following strain:

The overruling political issue of the day is between honest men and thieves. The one to the other is death to the country. At this extremity there is no time for hesitation. Advance to old party lines and tactics would be insensate. It would be the madness of a man rushing in the gaping fissure of an earthquake or into the withering crater of a volcano, because it lay across his direct path. In such an extremity, a high party pride or prejudice stands in the way of public deliverance, should be freely and promptly sacrificed upon the sacred altar of patriotism and morality. If disaster overwhelms the land, let it not be said that it was because Democrats were unwilling to receive or extend support to prevent it.

PEPPERCK THE SMALL.

The only concession which the people ask of the Democratic party is to disband. It is powerless for good, and the only effect it produces is to perpetuate evil. If there be any persons who think that any considerable portion of the Republican party will unite with the Democratic party, or divide offices with it, they are laboring under a delusion. If the Democratic party will disolve, and its members will unite with the Republican party, and aid in accomplishing needed reforms, and in electing proper men to office, the benefit to the nation will be very great. So long as the Democratic party exists to threaten the country with its probable success, it helps to perpetuate abuses which are not easily corrected in the presence of a greater enemy.

The *Evening Journal* calls attention to the case of a "burnt-out dead-beat," which affords, we fear, a type of a too numerous class. The one referred to is a sectarian newspaper, whose publishers are advertising that they lost by the fire large amounts of "type, presses, and stock," and appealing dolefully for $25,000 to help them out of their misery, whereas the fact is that they lost nothing at all, their composition and presswork having been done for them by a job-printing concern. On the strength of these circumstances they are plastering themselves as destitute victims of the fire, and one of them is bibbling protracted meetings all over the East, with a strong likelihood of raising the whole $25,000 proposed. It is to be feared that there are too many beggars of this class appealing to the sympathies of the world to help them into a condition better than they enjoyed before the fire, and at the same time depreciating the reputation of Chicago for business pluck and self-reliance. Of course it is the privilege of everybody to get what charity he can out of his friends or the public; but whoever does this on false pretences not only wrongs those upon whose generosity he practices, but lessens the chances of others who, though less importunate, are, perhaps, more needy.

Among the generous donations to the Relief Society is that of J. Campbell, of Brooklyn, N. Y., of two power presses, one worth $5,000, and the other worth $1,600. These presses are for book and job work, and are used in some of the best printing offices in the country, as in the "Riverside," at Cambridge, Mass., and are about to be introduced in the establishment of Messrs. Grant & Co., of London. These machines are of a class by themselves, with whom penniless artizans, and practical printers, we suppose, know all about them. The largest has already arrived in this city, and is for sale, as will be seen by an advertisement in another column, the proceeds to go, absolutely, to the Relief and Aid Society, for the benefit of the sufferers by the fire. Mr. Senior, the agent for Mr. Campbell, is in town, ready to put up the press the moment a purchaser is found for it, and those who want to bone for themselves in regard to it, and see specimens of its work, will find Mr. Senior at Standard Hall to-day, between the hours of 10 and 1 o'clock.

The New York artists' sale of paintings and objects of art for the Chicago Relief Fund closed on Saturday night, the total realizing the sum of $7,122, not including the price of frames. This result did not come up to the expectations of the active promoters of this noble charity, which may be accounted for by the severe rain-storm on the first evening, and the Alexis festivities on the second evening. The principal paintings were purchased by dealers in art-works, which alone is sufficient evidence that the pictures were sold very low, as these gentlemen really deserve greater credit for generosity than the total amount realized would indicate. A few donations of money will be added to this sum, and, deducting necessary expenses, at least $7,000 will remain. It is to be hoped that the members of the Academy of Design in this city will use this handsome sum to promote the best interests of the suffering artists of Chicago, and not for any other purposes.

The New York *Tribune* did not display extraordinary zeal for State Rights when it goaded Congress to pass the Ku-Klux bill, without which goading the bill would not have been passed. Nevertheless, we give place to its commendation of Governor Palmer, and his vindication of State Rights, for as much as it is worth.

The Question of Brick Walls.

To the Editor of The Chicago Tribune:

SIR: I propose to answer your correspondent, Mr. [illegible], in your paper of the 22d inst., that he discovered brick walls being laid with headers at every sixth course, and that inconversation with the builder he trapped him into a confession that it took "one header no less than he had to build them properly." If, very well; in his own opinion, considers that if every sixth course is laid transversely a wall is strengthened, that "every other course laid transversely would increase its strength." It is probable that at this time builders be more peculiarly employed than to engage in combatting the senseless twaddle of ecentric persons, who parade their ignorance of building with so much self-satisfaction in behalf of the public. It would seem that the whole people of the city had mistaken their calling, that all the *architects and builders* have been practising law, editing newspapers, or in some other calling decidedly foreign to the one they profess, and that the unfortunate class who claim to be architects and builders are the only ones possessing, in the entire of those essentials have been monopolized by other parties.

The builder was not making a poor wall with five strechers and then a header; neither would the wall be any stronger with every other course a header, for the following reason: The strechers forms a four-inch wall, and the headers an eight-inch wall, and are used to connect or bind two four-inch walls. Now, a four-inch wall at certain heights will bulge or bend, under a weight less than would be required to crack the brick, but at low height a four-inch wall will not bulge or bend, but will remain plumb until the load crushes the brick. Five courses of brick will make a wall one foot high, and a four-inch wall one foot high will carry a load that will crush the brick before a wall would bend or bulge. It must be plain to Mr. H. that if the wall of one foot in height is bonded every sixth course, it will carry a load equal to the crushing weight before the four inch parts of the walls would separate. It does not matter to lay headers less stretchers, and occasionally there is not as much mortar between the headers as between two stretchers, but there are reasons it is best to put only as many headers together will not make a four-inch wall from bulging under the load, as the mortar between strength of the wall, and headers at "every other course" could do no more, and would increase the cost of the wall besides, if walls are not grouted at every course, the headers, having less mortar between them, are more liable to fall out as the stretchers. If I stands for "high," how will this answer do for it?

Respectfully yours, JOHN M. VAN OSDEL.

—James Parton lectured in Boston last week on "Women Are They Vulgar?" Mr. Parton claimed to have visited the very hot-bed of vulgarity. He attended the last ball of the Americus (Tammany) Club, and saw the very cream of vulgarity. A strange assembly, marked by "last grammar and fine diamonds, white kids and dirty paws."

WASHINGTON.

Frederick the Small—Alexis and Our Police.

Female Suffrage to be Sneaked in

Captain DeGroot's New Statoo—The Scion of the Prophet, and His Ladder.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.
WASHINGTON, Nov. 20.

Justice Miller's (Iowa) fine daughter has married the handsome and ready Colonel Stocking, of the Bonded Warehouses. The Justice is thought, as things stand, to be the next in succession for the Chief Justiceship.

Speaker Blaine beheld his sixth infant for the first time a fortnight ago, and acknowledged the implication. He has no doubts about the new City Government of Washington, because it has assessed him for a new pavement.

Mr. Orton, of the Telegraph Lines, is alert about Creswell's meditated recommendation of postal telegraphy. Blaine and Trumbull both say it must come. Orton is a man resembling Abdel Kader, with fine ox eyes and great blandness in explaining away obnoxious statistics. He has now a franking privilege of his own as a means of retaining his monopoly; but the law of 1806 cooks his goose so far as getting any exorbitant price for his wires is concerned. They can be bought for the price of arbitration, as the company accepted the terms and emoluments of that act. The Western Union Company is the closest monopoly on this continent, and yet it holds no patent rights and invents nothing, except what may be called the Rc Morse powers. It is a monopoly of public opinion, electricity, and audacity.

A good deal of fuss is made about President Grant's son going to Europe with General Sherman, on a ship-of-war. On such small complaints as this, the Democratic party has always reduced itself beneath the character of either a sound national critic or dispassionate opponent. The best thing the President has done in the way of appointing relations to office, was to send his son to West Point, where he himself got his education, and amply repaid the country for it by his subsequent military services. United States ships frequently carry people abroad who, by implication, may do the country good. Newspaper correspondents have gone in this way; the General of the army has a right to go in the same way, and he may take any companion he pleases with him. Our score of complaint against the head of affairs is not in the matter of sending or seeking the true dignities of his place as of reducing dignity. A good leg criticism is always a shaft better from the opposition party; but a thousand small censures affect the maker of them more than the magistrate attacked. We are the laughing stock of Europe in our concern over the arrival of a son of the Czar; in simple and agreeable contrast to this is the departure of Frederick the Small, the only son of a Republican General, without the beating of drums or any other fuss than these little animadversions from people who do not know how to be artistically malicious.

Our reaction, or apparent reaction, against doing inexpensive honors to people in legitimate authority is not honest in any case, at any rate, but merely the habit of querulousness. What is more beautiful, for instance, than to read of General Anderson as going off day by day, how he was carried ashore in form by naval officers and marines, amidst the roll of muffled drums and the dipping of draped standards, to the quiet Episcopal chapel where the American invalids worship, while the regiments of the place stood uncovered, and felt in the simplest manner a mere vivid perception of a nation proud of its faithful officers? Here also, in the reception of Alexis, is a scene of the most dignified nature and touching our patriotism; the great port-city of the East wishing for days to welcome the young boy as the representative amongst the high and the low, for fear that his friendly voyage may have drawn the two great nations into a mere sense of sympathy deeper than congratulation; the four or five national vessels signalling the wayfarers as one by one they pass Highland Light and drop anchor in the offing; and the quick interchange of roaring broadsides, like the loud and instant recognition of a lion and his mate; the forms of carrying salutations as the naval folks cross the gunwale and the drums beat along the white and elegant length of deck; the city, several miles away, sending down its answering broadside; and then to note the descendant of Peter the Great from that other New York which arose from the marshes of Finland, as the will of a savage ancestor, whose soul was filled with the anticipation of civilization—leading the streets of a city which has been redeemed from barbarism by a democratic constitution, with some peculiar features, and practical printers, we suppose, know all about them. The largest has already arrived in this city, and is for sale, as will be seen by an advertisement in another column, the proceeds to go, absolutely, to the Relief and Aid Society, for the benefit of the sufferers by the fire. Mr. Senior, the agent for Mr. Campbell, is in town, ready to put up the press the moment a purchaser is found for it, and those who want to bone for themselves in regard to it, and see specimens of its work, will find Mr. Senior at Standard Hall to-day, between the hours of 10 and 1 o'clock.

The New York artists' sale of paintings and objects of art for the Chicago Relief Fund closed on Saturday night, the total realizing the sum of $7,122, not including the price of frames. This result did not come up to the expectations of the active promoters of this noble charity, which may be accounted for by the severe rain-storm on the first evening, and the Alexis festivities on the second evening. The principal paintings were purchased by dealers in art-works, which alone is sufficient evidence that the pictures were sold very low, as these gentlemen really deserve greater credit for generosity than the total amount realized would indicate. A few donations of money will be added to this sum, and, deducting necessary expenses, at least $7,000 will remain. It is to be hoped that the members of the Academy of Design in this city will use this handsome sum to promote the best interests of the suffering artists of Chicago, and not for any other purposes.

The New York *Tribune* did not display extraordinary zeal for State Rights when it goaded Congress to pass the Ku-Klux bill, without which goading the bill would not have been passed. Nevertheless, we give place to its commendation of Governor Palmer, and his vindication of State Rights, for as much as it is worth.

The Question of Brick Walls.

To the Editor of The Chicago Tribune:

SIR: I propose to answer your correspondent, Mr. [illegible], in your paper of the 22d inst., that he discovered brick walls being laid with headers at every sixth course, and that inconversation with the builder he trapped him into a confession that it took "one header no less than he had to build them properly." If, very well; in his own opinion, considers that if every sixth course is laid transversely a wall is strengthened, that "every other course laid transversely would increase its strength." It is probable that at this time builders be more peculiarly employed than to engage in combatting the senseless twaddle of eccentric persons, who parade their ignorance of building with so much self-satisfaction in behalf of the public. It would seem that the whole people of the city had mistaken their calling, that all the *architects and builders* have been practising law, editing newspapers, or in some other calling decidedly foreign to the one they profess, and that the unfortunate class who claim to be architects and builders are the only ones possessing, in the entire of those essentials have been monopolized by other parties.

The builder was not making a poor wall with five strechers and then a header; neither would the wall be any stronger with every other course a header, for the following reason: The strechers forms a four-inch wall, and the headers an eight-inch wall, and are used to connect or bind two four-inch walls. Now, a four-inch wall at certain heights will bulge or bend, under a weight less than would be required to crack the brick, but at low height a four-inch wall will not bulge or bend, but will remain plumb until the load crushes the brick. Five courses of brick will make a wall one foot high, and a four-inch wall one foot high will carry a load that will crush the brick before a wall would bend or bulge. It must be plain to Mr. H. that if the wall of one foot in height is bonded every sixth course, it will carry a load equal to the crushing weight before the four inch parts of the walls would separate. It does not matter to lay headers less stretchers, and occasionally there is not as much mortar between the headers as between two stretchers, but there are reasons it is best to put only as many headers together will not make a four-inch wall from bulging under the load, as the mortar between strength of the wall, and headers at "every other course" could do no more, and would increase the cost of the wall besides, if walls are not grouted at every course, the headers, having less mortar between them, are more liable to fall out as the stretchers. If I stands for "high," how will this answer do for it?

Respectfully yours, JOHN M. VAN OSDEL.

—James Parton lectured in Boston last week on "Women Are They Vulgar?" Mr. Parton claimed to have visited the very hot-bed of vulgarity. He attended the last ball of the Americus (Tammany) Club, and saw the very cream of vulgarity. A strange assembly, marked by "last grammar and fine diamonds, white kids and dirty paws."

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...Imposing Pageant.

From the New York Times, Nov. 22.

...all the motley gatherings which old ...York has known, none, perhaps, ever ...ssed that which yesterday harrahed ...was black in the vicinity ...o.]

...after 12 o'clock the police began to ...the streets and arrange the mob in ...on the sidewalks, and at 1 o'clock ...ous brigades of the National Guard ...to take up their positions along ...way and around Pier 1. After receiv... ...orts from his Aides-de-Camp that ...ere all properly posted, the General, ...anied by a brilliant staff, rode down ...Perth Amboy Dock, and, dismounting, ...ded to the landing place to await the ...of the Grand Duke.

...3 o'clock the Grand Duke landed and ...ed Admiral Possnet, Vice Admiral ...General Gerloff, and General Lewis ...well; the third carriage containing ...Counsellor of State Vessieg, Governor ...o, and Count Olsuffieff; the fourth ...containing Grand Chamberlain ...W. E. Stoughton, Professor Metchin, ...Admiral Godon; the fifth car... ...containing Duc de Danzas, Major ...E. Montgomery, R. W. Stevens, and ...of the Prince's suite; the sixth car... ...containing Mr. A. Bierstadt, M. Sher... ...Mr. S. J. Magee, and a Russian officer; ...enth carriage containing Mr. Henry ...Mr. J. Taylor Johnson, and two Rus... ...officers; the eight carriage containing ...Mr. L. Stuart, Mr. Phillip Bergh and two ...an officers; the ninth carriage contain... ...Russian Consul-General Bodisco, Gen. ...Lyon, Gen. C. A. Dodge and Russian ...ter; the tenth carriage containing Rus... ...Vice-Consul Schnitz, Mr. Howard Pot... ...W. T. Blodgett and Russian officer; ...eventh carriage containing Mr. W. B. ...an, Mr. S. L. M. Barlow and two of the ...Duke's suite, and the twelfth and ...enth carriages containing Russian and ...rican officers in uniform.

...the Reception Committee had com... ...their arrangements, the word was ...for the procession to start, Superin... ...Kelso with a battalion of police, ...the command of Inspector Dilks, ...ains Cameron, Byrne, Kennedy, and ...ber, acting as Aides, General Shaler, ...ded by his staff, led the column of mili... ...the Seventh Regiment acting as the ...escort of honor, the Twenty-second ...left and the Eleventh Regiment on ...either side of the Grand Duke's car... ...As the procession passed up Broadway ...the lines of the various regiments ...along the route, played the Russian ...al anthem and other Russian music, ...giments closing in and joining in the ...as it passed them. At Trinity Church ...chimes burst forth in a hearty peal of ...e, and further on a striking picture was ...ed by the mass of the Sunday-school ...dren, arranged in the shape of a ...ge, over the entrance of the American ...e Company, was uncovered for the ...

...m Bowling-green to Canal street the ...ds on the streets were disgraceful. No ...had the fault of the procession passed ...ughs assembled near the Custom House ...made a shoulder-to-shoulder rush up ...way, driving down women and chil... ...ruthlessly trampling them, and ...eting thousands of country sight-seers ...their wits with their drunken shouts ...ehavior. The Grand Duke heeded them ...He bowed incessantly but indistinctly ...e crowd in the streets and at the win... ...and seemed highly pleased at the dem... ...ation in his honor. Above Canal street ...parade was in command of Inspector ...ber. Both of these officers had the most ...ous duties of the day in preserving a ...space around these centres of attrac... ...and both creditably discharged their ...

...1:30 the battalion of police, commanded ...spector Jamieson, which led the proces... ...before the grand stand. The bat... ...was composed of twelve companies of ...men each.

...y were drawn up in line on the west ...of Fourth avenue, the right resting on ...enth street, and the line extending to ...lower end of the Park. The street ...e dense swaying mass of humanity. ...women with children in their arms, ...boys and girls, pushing and shouting, ...ing themselves to get out of the crowd ...have a breath of fresh air. Platoons of ...e charged upon them, but there was no ...for them. At last the police were in line ...compelled to give way, and the scream... ...struggling crowd were pushed back on ...sidewalk and down the side streets. ...ite women rushed up and down, look... ...and crying for lost children; men ...ted and fought their way ...and there, now against ...living wall of fellow-beings ...now against the serried line of the po... ...Bewildered individuals ran wildly ...t and were driven hither and thither by ...unting police, and the scene in all its ...ful confusion was presented.

...ntributed to some of those which ...made Dante famous. At last the ...oughfare was cleared, the crowd was ...ed back, and all awaited the grand ar... ...In a few moments the enthusiastic cheer... ...down Broadway was heard and taken up ...the line, and at 3 o'clock the Grand ...ke was descried in a magnificent ...che drawn by four horses, followed by ...other carriages containing distin... ...d guests, the Broadway squad, the ...ial escort by Sergeant Tuck, acting as the ...guard.

...e carriage containing the Prince ...the grand stand where the Executive ...ittee, with a bevy of "ladys faire" ...in waiting, the Duke gracefully raised ...in acknowledgment of the salutations ...ttering handkerchiefs with which ...ch another moment he reached ...ted and alighted, bowing with un... ...head to the cheering crowd. Passing ...into that portion of the hotel as ...for his accommodation, followed ...by the Russian Minister and his ...e remained for a few moments in his ...then appeared upon the balcony. ...was recognized, cheer after cheer went ...the multitude, that gazed up to ...admiration, raising his hat with involuntary ...respect as they swept by him, and returning ...the salute of each line officer with a bow. ...The Seventh fairly excelled itself. The ...Ninth, Colonel Fisk, followed, mustering ...twenty-two files, and marching in ...perfect order; Eighth Regiment, Colonel Scott, twelve files; First ...Regiment, Hawkins Zouaves, twelve ...files, under Lieutenant Colonel Webster, and ...the Fifth Regiment, Colonel Bendix, twelve ...files, closed the column. A platoon of police ...followed. As the head of the platoon drawn ...up on the side of the avenue wheeled into ...line and passed in review before the Prince. ...The militia numbered about 9,000 men, and ...the reception they gave the Duke was an ...honor to him and a credit to them. As the ...last of the procession passed, the crowd, ...breaking through every effort of the police ...to restrain them, closed in around the hotel; ...after cheer after cheer for Alexis arose, and after ...he had entered the house, the yells of a thou... ...sand throats called him back three times. ...The police charged in vain; the crowd was ...in the ascendant, and the police were powerless. ...Again and again they charged, and again ...the Duke, and when at last it was under... ...stood that he was about to leave the hotel, ...a rush was made for the Eighteenth street ...entrance. Then only the police began to ...gather sufficient strength to control them, ...and in a short time they were dispersed.

THANKSGIVING SERVICE—THE GRAND DUKE SHORTLY.

ALEXIS AT THE RUSSIAN CHAPEL.

Shortly before 5 p. m. the Grand Duke Alexis, accompanied by Admiral Possnet, the Russian Minister, M. Catacazy, and his Russian retinue, took close carriages and proceeded to the Russian Chapel, at No. 951 Second avenue, near Fifty-first street. His Imperial Highness entering, Rev. Father Hjerring gave the benediction with the cross, and blessed the Grand Duke with holy water. The appointed prayer being over, Father Hjerring thus addressed His Imperial Highness:

May it please your Imperial Highness, it is with the sincerest joy of heart that I venture, in the deepest humility, to bid your Imperial Highness a happy welcome in this little chapel, and this welcome I venture to offer as a priest of the Orthodox Church, and also as a citizen of the United States. As everywhere in the world, where there are orthodox Christians, also the flock to the borders of Russia, so the Bethlehem of the apostolic faith spreads itself in unalloyed purity. It is a great idea, yea the greatest idea for man, not a fantastic idea, but a living reality, which assembles the hearts of orthodox Christians around the throne of the Russian czar, whether they be dwellers in Russia or in the Western hemisphere. This great idea is not what some are pleased to call Pan-Slavism; no, it is an immeasurably greater idea; it is what I would designate Panorthodoxy. The existence of the chapel, the first in New York—is owing to the orthodox Russia; and also a grain of mustard-seed spreads itself in gradual growth, so I hope, with God's blessing, the care of the Holy Synod for its spiritual children here will not be in vain. But all the more join-tare our hearts to-day for the spiritual welfare of each member of that distinguished house, which has inscribed itself in brilliant lines within the annals of history. Hence your Imperial Highness be a thousand times welcome; may your Imperial Highness find many delights in this land, and may God preserve and defend your Imperial Highness. This I pray in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost. Amen!

The service, which lasted but a few minutes, ended with a prayer, and with the customary rite of wishing the Czar many years of happy reign.

The Grand Duke and his party then drove back to the Clarendon.

THE NORTHWEST.

ILLINOIS.

Mr. Knapp, of Warren, was severely injured a few days since, by jumping from a train into a cattle-guard, thereby breaking a rib and fearfully bruising his hand.

—Daniel Hughes, a railroad employe, was shot and severely wounded at a house of ill-fame in Jacksonville, on Monday last, by the keeper.

—Rev. John Dale, of Virginia, Cass County, died at his residence on the 18th, of typhoid pneumonia, and was buried on Friday. On the Saturday following his wife died of the same disease, and was buried on Monday.

—There are 1,625 blind, 825 deaf and dumb, 1,625 insane, and 1,244 idiotic persons in this State.

—Galesburg is to have another college, to be built by the Roman Catholics.

—Mr. A. J. Garceleu, ex-Sheriff of Boone County, died on the 10th inst.

—DeKalb County has the largest hay crop for many years.

—Dixon will rejoice in a musical convention on Dec. 5.

—Galesburg is to have a horse railroad.

—William Hindle, a banker at Girard, Macoupin county, has absconded, taking with him some $6,000 of the depositors' money.

—Elijah Cobb, proprietor of the Cottage Avenue Hotel, Jacksonville, has sued Colonel Jesse T. Norman, an old resident of that city, for libel, in saying, as he charges, that the Cottage Avenue Hotel was a resort for disreputable women. He lays his damages at $1,500.

—Horse-thief named Hall escaped from the jail at Ognawka, on the 18th inst.

—A man named John Bonn, living three and a half miles southwest of Macomb, committed suicide by hanging himself, on November 11.

—The Canton *Press* says that Charles Leander, a Swede, in the employ of the M. V. & W. Railroad Company, was drowned while crossing the river at that point, on the 1st inst.

—A lady at Champaign, named Mary Ann Hudson, was brutally murdered, on the 15th inst., by some unknown assassin, who killed her with a club, on the street, in the evening. The deceased was a sister of Mr. James Howard, a butcher.

IOWA.

The Council Bluffs *Times* suggests the appropriateness of changing the name of Omaha. As a substitute, Train-town is proposed.

—A firm at Council Bluffs will pack 15,000 hogs this season.

—Mrs. Alida Copeland, the wife of a former pastor of the Methodist church in Davenport, has obtained a divorce from her reverend husband, on the two years ago emigrated to parts unknown with a paramour.

—At the last term of the District Court in Hardin County, twenty-two cases, involving nearly $15,000, were oddly consigned, amicably settled and withdrawn before giving the court an opportunity to pass upon them.

—The Eldora *Ledger* says: "H.W. Johnnson resides in Kansas. Mr. Armor, of Hardin County, married Miss Leverett, of Clay Township, and, removing West, became a neighbor of Mr. Johnson's, who was a widower with two children. Mrs. Armor wrote to her sister in Hardin County. Miss Frances Leverton, aged 18, about her wid-ower neighbor and his anxiety to get married. Photographs were exchanged, and the result was that on the 24th of November the anxious Johnson put in an appearance at Armor Leverton's door. He proposed off-hand, was accepted, declined taking his hat off or sitting down, but posted off to Eldora for the license. He was married that afternoon, and on the 16th was off for his home in Kansas, with Mrs. Francis Johnson. He is 30 years of age."

—The Commercial Bank, of Keokuk, with a capital of $100,000, and the Council Bluffs Agricultural Works, capital stock $50,000, have filed articles of incorporation with the Secretary of State.

—The wife of John Ashy, Jr., residing near Iowa Falls, was literally frightened to death one day last week by some Indians who called at her house.

—It was reported on Saturday last that the largest coal mine at Fort Dodge had taken fire, and was burning beyond the control of all efforts to extinguish it.

—Among the articles to be deposited in the corner stone of the new Iowa State House is a map of the Chicago burned district.

—The Western Iowa Baptist Association have determined to locate the Western Iowa Academy at Denison, on condition that the citizens of that place donate 2 1-2 acres of land for a site, and subscribe $40,000 toward erecting buildings.

—A lunatic in Dubuque had a young man upon the stage for whom he desired to find a suitable partner. He asked all the young ladies in the audience, who were not engaged, to hold up their hands, when an old lady, weighing on a hundred, instantly put up both hands. It was Hopkins' choice for the young man.

—A Burlington artist got into trouble for selling photographs of a lady in that vicinity, whose negative he claimed to have, for diminutive *fac similes* of Mrs. O'Leary, of Chicago bovine notoriety.

—Miss Belle Hammond, of Ottumwa, has recently been appointed Clerk to the Secretary of the Capitol Commission, and is filling the position competently, says the *Register*.

WISCONSIN.

Governor Fairchild has appointed the following delegates to the Detroit Commercial Convention, which meets November 29: General D. Atwood, Madison; Colonel C. D. Robinson, Green Bay; George E. Hoskinson, Green Bay; Charles Sergeant, LaCrosse; Hon. W. W. Field, Rockford; Hon. B. U. Strong, spring Green; Hon. A. J. Turner, Portage; John Shaw, Milwaukee; Hon. S. A. Pease, Ripon; Hon. Lew Fisher, Menasha; Colonel E. A. Calkins, Milwaukee; Hon. A. M. Thompson, Milwaukee; S. A. Proctor, Milwaukee; General T. S. Allen, Oshkosh; George Hyer, Oshkosh; Colonel Watrous, Fond du Lac; John Lawler, Prairie du Chien; General W. H. Utley, Racine; A. C. Sanford, Racine; General J. K. Proudfit, Madison; R. M. Bashford, Madison; Hon. George B. Smith, Madison; Hon. E. W. Keyes, Madison; Angus Smith, Milwaukee; Hon. H. L. Palmer, Milwaukee; Horace S. Rounds, Oshkosh; D. J. Stevens, Madison.

—Racine is going to protect its records with fire-proof vaults.

—On Thursday evening the 16th, as the Hon. Isaac Stephenson and Mr. Andrew Stephenson were returning home to Marinette from Peshtigo Harbor, on the Little River Road, a pole came down suddenly across their laps from a thicket close by the roadside. The horses were started into a run, and at that instant a pistol was fired from behind, the bullet passing close to their heads, but fortunately doing no injury.

—The Evansville *Review* reports that on the 10th, Mr. J. R. Fitch, a well-to-do farmer living near that place committed suicide by shooting himself near the heart with a carbine. Mr. Fitch was as exemplary man, a member of the church, and no rational cause can be assigned for the rash act.

—The Monroe *Republican* reports that Mr. John Allenbrand, living in the western part of that town, died very suddenly, on Monday morning, from the bursting of a blood-vessel.

—The pines are all driven, and the greater part of the foundation timbers for the new railroad bridge at Peshtigo are in place. The superstructure will be finished and ready for the railroad iron in the course of a week, or ten days at the farthest.

—The Watertown *Republican* says: "Tuesday night of last week, Mr. G. W. Armstrong, living a few miles from Fort Atkins, was met in the streets of that village by one Peter H. Stoft, who deliberately stopped Mr. Armstrong, and took his pocketbook from his pocket, containing $220 in greenbacks. Stoft has been arrested and lodged in jail."

—Three women appeared at the polls in the village of Jefferson last election and presented their tickets. The board refused to accept them.

—Mrs. Mary Fields, wife of James Fields, residing on the Hargrave farm, on the town of Beaver Dam, died on Monday morning last, from the effects of poison administered by her own hand. On Sunday forenoon she took a tablespoonful of Paris green, and although Dr. Snyder was called in to see her in the evening, his efforts to rescue her were futile, and she died in about twenty-four hours after taking the poisonous drug.

INDIANA.

A little girl, named Anna Whittinger, was killed at Lafayette, on the 21st inst., by a railroad train.

—A boiler exploded on the 21st inst., near Terre Haute, totally wrecking Crist's flouring mill and an adjoining planing mill. One man, Barton Calsey, was killed and several injured.

—A paper has been started in New Albany called the *Screamer*.

—Logansport is building a Universalist College, to cost $140,000.

—John Nosh, a resident of Reynolds, White County, who had been accused of driving his wife out of doors, was seized by a mob, the other night, tarred and feathered, and carried in a fine condition on a rail through the streets of Reynolds.

—The Holly Water Works in Columbus received their first practical test on Saturday night. A fire broke out in a stable filled with hay, belonging to Henry Deper. It was in a remote part of the town, and, before hose-reels were on the ground, the building was enveloped in flames. In five minutes after water was first thrown, the fire was completely extinguished.

—Thomas P. Andrews, of Decatur, was killed on the 20th inst., by a falling tree.

MICHIGAN.

A. B. McQuewan, a prominent lumberman of Grand Rapids, was drowned in the Muskegon River on the 22nd inst.

—The Lansing station well is a failure.

—Pentwater claims the largest shingle-mill in the State.

—The entire number of persons burned out by the fire in Huron County was 1,597, and their losses $937,425.

—The only business men of Coldwater have formed an organization known as "The Mercantile Fire Protectors."

—An Eaton Rapids man is building a panorama of Chicago.

—A Boston capitalist proposes to build a $50,000 hotel at Grand Rapids.

MINNESOTA.

The Stillwater *Gazette* publishes a statement showing that 115 buildings have been erected in that city this year, and that $607,000 has been expended in buildings and improvements, of which $65,000 was in the Penitentiary, and $30,000 for an asylum.

—Porter Martin, of Hampton, Dakota County, has sold his young Green Mountain stallion, Ben Franklin, a four-year old, to Captain Sloan, of Lake Shetek, Cottonwood County, for $1,000.

—The "drummers" are agitating for a repeal of the license fee to which they are subjected at St. Paul, and a test case is now before the local courts. The merchants are nearly unanimous in favor of repeal.

KANSAS.

The people of Lawrence had an astronomical sensation in seeing Venus at noon of the 21st.

—The wheat in Douglas County, promises to be unusually heavy per yield.

—Ex-Senator Rose is about to start a paper at Coffeyville, to be called *Rose' Paper*. It will be Republican in politics.

—William Cook, a section foreman at Monument, was killed by a railroad train at that place, on the 18th inst.

RAILROADS.

The stockholders of the Paris & Louisiana Railway held their annual meeting at Virden, Ill., on the 18th, and chose Directors for the ensuing year. Lewis Solomon, of Vandit's Point, was elected President.

—The Warsaw (Ill.) *Bulletin* says an extension of the Rockford, Rock Island and St. Louis Road from Ognawka Junction, or, as it is now called, Sogetown, to intersect the Harper branch of the Toledo, Peoria, & Warsaw Road, is talked of.

—The Mineral Point Railroad surveyors report the route up the Kickapoo Valley favorable.

—An election is to be held next Tuesday, in Osage County, Kansas, to decide whether or not Osage County shall subscribe $5,000 per mile for a road running south from Carbondale, through Lyndon and Malvern, to the southern line of the county.

—Last Saturday witnessed the completion of the Chicago, Dubuque & Minnesota Railroad to McGregor, and in honor of the event the latter place fired a salute of 100 guns. A telegram to this effect was sent to Dubuque, when an answer was returned by J. K. Graves, President of the road, as follows: "The citizens of Dubuque, Iowa and Illinois extend greetings, and unite with the people of McGregor in congratulation on the grand achievement which has linked these two cities together."

—The Winneconne (Wis.) *Item* says: "Good judges predict that the gap in a direct railroad from Milwaukee to Green Bay, between Winneconne and New London, will be built within the next eighteen months."

—The officers of the Grand Rapids & Bay City Railroad have called for another assessment of 10 per cent on the subscribed capital stock, and will let the contract for constructing the road-bed of the first division on the 27th inst. They have been delayed in this work by the difficulty encountered in procuring the right of way.

PERSONAL.

General Butler has applied to the publishers of the *Atlantic Monthly* for permission to reply to "Warrington's" article in that magazine. He wanted the reply to appear in the present number.

—Of the present College of Cardinals at Rome, three have had strokes of apoplexy, one has the gout, four are in their dotage, and the youngest, Cardinal Milesi, is dying of consumption at the age of 55 years. There are twenty-four vacancies in this cheerful old body.

—The Rev. Green Clay Smith, ex-General and ex-Governor, is conducting a protracted meeting in the Baptist Church at Danville, Kentucky.

—The London *Public Opinion* gives a report that J. A. Froude and Wilkie Collins contemplate visiting the United States in the capacity of public lecturers.

—Mrs. Frances Barrett de Oviedo, the bride of the famous diamond wedding in New York several years ago, contributed one hundred dollars to the Chicago relief subscription taken up in Havana.

—Mrs. M. A. Baines, of London, offers a prize of ten guineas for the best essay on "Domestic Service: its Abuses and Remedies."

—Schneider has had presented to her by an American a comb which cost $8,000 sterling.

—The late Sir Roderick Murchison has appointed Professor Geikie his literary executor, and it is understood that the Professor will write Sir Roderick's life.

—The Boston *Commonwealth* learns that James A. Garfield and George W. Julian have been frightened from their early advocacy of woman suffrage by the Woodhull-Claflin movement.

—Charles Tracey, son of a prominent citizen of Albany, N. Y., has been made Knight of the Order of St. Gregory by Pope Pius IX. for services rendered while in the Papal Zouaves.

—Mrs. Clarissa Ruggles, widow of Benjamin Ruggles, who for eighteen years was United States Senator from Ohio, lately died, over 80 years old.

—It is observed that Joaquin Miller, in his "Kit Carson's Ride," makes Kit dash away on a bare-back horse, and afterwards "rise in his stirrups."

—Mr. Hepworth Dixon is about commencing an action for libel against the *Saturday Review*, whose criticisms upon some of his recent works have damaged him, he thinks, to the amount of £5,000.

—John Chapman, editor of the Salem *Register*, has risen at half-past 12 o'clock every Sunday night for fifty-six years, and gone to the office to make up his paper.

—Jean Ingelow's name is generally pronounced in this country. The *Spectator*, in America, says, Miss Ingelow is very benevolent, and gives away a great deal of the money earned by authorship. She is said to give a dinner to the poor every year, which is called Miss Ingelow's copyright dinner.

—The Rev. William W. Colburn, Chaplain of the Charlestown, Mass., State Prison, has lately received from his father, whom he had not seen for thirty-five years, and whom he had long supposed dead. The father disappeared, from some freak, when the son was only 5 years old, and went to Oregon, where he has amassed a fortune. His wife, who struggled along with two children—being obliged at one time to send them to the same house—had died, and the father now proposes to make reparation, as far as possible, to his son and grandchildren, for the injustice done to his wife by this strange desertion and neglect.

—A life of President Samuel F. B. Morse, the inventor of the magnetic telegraph, has been written by Mrs. P. G. Fairfield, under the personal supervision of its subject.

—Colonel B. G. Lockett, residing near Atlanta, Ga., has this year in cotton 6,200 acres, and in corn and small grain 3,800, making in all 10,000 acres. At last account he had a bale to two acres, and at 40c per bale, the cotton crop would amount to 5,000 bales, and its value to $200,000. Colonel L. employs 200 hands—blacks. The total population which he provides for is about 900 thousand persons.

—The Orleans Princes have been successful in their application for the restoration of the estates of which Louis Napoleon deprived them in 1852.

—The New York *Tribune* charged "Dr. William Paine, Dean of the Philadelphia University of Medicine," with selling diplomas to a negro named Morning, and an herb doctor named Rogers, and the Doctor proposes to prove that such conduct is unheard of in Philadelphia, and that he has been incarcated $30,000 worth.

—W. H. Forrest, a brother of General N. B. Forrest, is on trial for murder, at Brenham, Texas. Eighteen years ago he had a difficulty with a man named Holt, who threatened his life, and in an encounter between the men, Forrest was shot through the hip. On further provocation Forrest took his gun and, on finding Holt, shot and killed him and disappeared. About three weeks ago he entered the town of Gonzales, and was immediately arrested.

—Oscar J. Dunn, (colored), Lieutenant Governor of Louisiana, died in New Orleans, Nov. 22, after three days' illness, of congestion of the brain and lungs, aged 51 years.

—Colonel Armandine Johnson, a prominent Virginia lawyer and politician, and an ex-confederate officer, is announced by the Richmond papers.

POLITICAL.

A Western Democratic paper discusses the Cincinnati *Enquirer's* proposal to run Thomas Scott for President, and advises it to go slow, inasmuch as the people are not yet ready to convert the White House into a railroad depot.

The Cooperstown (N. Y.) *Journal*, Democratic, published at the residence of Chief Justice Nelson, of the United States Supreme Court, and supposed to represent his views, concludes an elaborate article by averring that "The leading Democrats of this State not only admit that they have no hope of electing the next President under the present organization of the party, through the nomination of a Democratic National Convention," but that they favor a strong third party movement in the direction indicated in the following words: "Let us defeat Grant with any good and able statesman available for that purpose, and break down this administration."

—The Tallahassee *Floridian* gives an account of a Florida carpet-bagger elected to the New Jersey Legislature, as follows: "Captain George B. Carse was elected to the New Jersey Legislature from Camden County last Tuesday. Captain Carse figured extensively in this State a year or two ago. He came here as a Bureau officer, afterward was made Adjutant General by Governor Reed, then Private Secretary to His Excellency. As a lobby member of the Florida Legislature, he was very active in procuring Governor Reed's escape from impeachment both in 1869 and 1870, and did some things in the way of inducing members to vote for certain measures which got him into serious difficulty with the grand jury of Leon County. He is an intense Republican, but a clever, impulsive gentleman, and was really liked by the bulk of our home people, while cordially hated by a large number of Republicans. Carse may be considered in New Jersey, we suppose, a 'Florida carpet-bagger.'"

—We learn from the Madison (Wis.) *Democrat* that Judge Dodillitte will now devote his whole attention to his law practice in that State and Illinois, and in the Supreme Court of the United States.

—Mrs. Laura A. Berry, formerly Deputy Register of Scott County, Iowa, now a resident of Davenport, will be a candidate for an enrolling clerkship before the Legislature.

—The Burlington *Hawk-Eye* mentions the Hon. John N. Rogers, of Davenport, Iowa, as one of the candidates for the position of Supreme Judge to be vacated by Judge Cole. The other candidates mentioned are ex-Governor Kirkwood, of course, and Judges Chase and Sampson, of the District Court. It is understood that Judge Cole will not resign before the close of the year, and the vacancy will be filled by Governor Carpenter.

—The Democratic Journals in the West are hopelessly divided on the "Passive Policy," and are already beginning to call hard names.

Sir Richard Wallace.

From the New York Times.

Sir Richard Wallace is a man likely to be remembered as an instance of a lucky heir turning his fortune to good account. By the death of the late Lord Hertford he came into an immense estate. For two generations these lords had been a disgrace to their order. Endowed with brilliant talent, they had done infinitely worse than their spotless napkins. The father of the late Lord was the notoriously profligate boon-companion of George the Magnificent, in the Regency, and some of licentious Court of Monmouth of *Conisgsby*, the Lord Steyne of *Vanity Fair*. His son succeeded him; a mean-minded, flesh and volumptuary, more despicable, from his utter callousness to any sense of duty, than his father. He lived his abode in Paris, and most appropriately, for he was an exact type and specimen of that class of nobility who formerly flourished in that city, and brought upon it the horrors of 1793. Not two years have elapsed, and the inheritor of the Manquisate millions has done more for the good of his kind than the Hertfords did in sixty. He is ever at some good work or other. During the siege, he kept hundreds from starving, and gave liberal subscription to the task. Since then, Paris and London have both been reaping the fruit of his benevolence. Both a few weeks ago he obtained leave to erect beautiful drinking fountains for man and beast, throughout the principal metropolis. To-day we read that he is commencing a hospital for English subjects in Paris, which will cost $350,000 a year. Such deeds would atone, if anything could atone, for the mis-conduct of his profligate predecessors.

The Nature of an Oath.

Early in the rebellion, when the Federal forces were first advanced at Beaufort, S. C., there was a stout darkey in the employment of Lige Carse, who, deserted by his master, left to take care of himself as best he might. Lige was considered a chattel of weak intellect, and, moreover, he was somewhat awkward in his attempts to play the role of a loyal contraband. He smashed and destroyed pretty nearly everything that fell into his hands upon, and, having waited upon nearly every officer at the post, each in turn, after giving him the full benefit of his services, coming for his stupidity, turned him adrift.

It happened that Lige was a witness in a case of theft before a court martial and, being called up to testify, was, on his testimony, objected to on the part of the defendant, who stated that he couldn't believe the nigger for of sound mind.

Stand up, Lige," said the Court. "Do you understand the nature of an oath?"

Lige scratched his head for a moment, and then turning up the whites of his eyes, replied: "Lord, a yare, massa; dis nigger had walled on 'bout half de cotton and 'bacca, 'taint to dis place, and if he don't 'stand de nature of an oath' by dis time, den dares no 'stand it."

The Court considered Lige a competent witness.

An Impudent Trick.

A Pittsburgh paper gives the following: "A rather funny story is told of Rudiger, one of the parties sent to jail to await trial for feloniously entering Hope's tobacco store. It is said that a few days ago he went to a rag warehouse on Penn street, and, passing around to the rear where was a vast collection of rags in crates and loose piles, he rolled one of the crates on to the sidewalk. Then stepping to the back door, he called to the book keeper, who was the only person in the store, and requested him to weigh and pay him for that crate of rags. The unsuspecting clerk carefully weighed the rags and paid the fellow the full price for that which already belonged to the firm. Two or three days afterward, according to the story, Rudiger went back to the place and repeated the performance in part. One of the proprietors of the place was called out this time to do the weighing, and immediately recognized the crate as one he had received, paid for, and marked the day before. Rudiger protested that this was not the case, and said that if the proprietor would wait there a moment he would bring a man to prove his ownership of the rags. The proprietor waited, and Rudiger went after that man and did not come back."

Men's Rights.

A correspondent of the Cincinnati *Gazette* thus writes in behalf of his sex:

I am, he says, a bachelor, 32 years of age, in sound health, and in receipt of a salary of $1,800 per year, and, therefore, a good match for any woman, for any woman who may be, yet I remain unmarried, from principles, and will remain single until the laws are so altered as to make a husband master in his own house. But a few years ago the owner of real estate acquired by my own labor. I do not owe any woman to control me in my disposal of said property simply because she happened to be my wife. She would have nothing toward earning that property; therefore, have no claim, right or title to it. Any law giving her a dower third is simply a fraud on me, the more so as the law does not give me any dower third in her property. And then the ceremony now-a-days, called marriage, does not give me a wife—it simply gives me a woman who can leave me whenever she pleases. I cannot keep her against her wishes. She may go back to her father or elsewhere, and I cannot compel her to come back; but should I leave her for any reason, she can have me arrested and compel me to support her. Such a thing is one-sided and unfair. A woman held by such a law is not. In my opinion, a wife is the only woman objected to on the part of the defendant, who stated that he couldn't believe the nigger for of sound mind.

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COMMERCIAL.

FRIDAY EVENING, Nov. 24.

The following were the receipts and shipments of produce at this port during the past twenty-four hours, as far as reported, with the corresponding quantities one year ago:

	Receipts.		Shipments.	
	1871.	1870.	1871.	1870.
Flour, bris	4,700	7,120	3,664	11,300
Wheat, bu	135,535	68,793	29,472	178,875
Corn, bu	135,535	68,793	178,472	178,875
Oats, bu	31,440	31,056	63,020	43,656
Rye, bu	2,376	2,376	2,736	360
Barley, bu	14,384	7,079	3,250	3,600
Grass seed, lbs	92,703	9,639	39,959	
Provisions, lbs	81,500	77,000		
Broom corn, lbs	62,336	128,519	20,703	84,139
Cattle, No	2,500	50	657,902	513,033
Beef, brls	1,045		2,300	2,150
Pork, brls	50	50	276	1,450
Lard, lbs	23,000	87	304,711	321,355
Tallow, lbs	89,063		1,400	
Hides, No	6,473	6,473	1,900	1,900
Cattle, No	67	38,063	34,000	37,370
Live hogs, No	16,464	200	253	
Dressed hogs, No	81,500	77,000	2,000	
Highwines, brls	94,186	84,339	21,839	200,000
Wool, lbs	227	575	253	1,100
Coal, tons	9,430	2,500	30,000	60,000
Lumber, m	1,341	4,379	60	
Shingles, m	3,000	1,000		
Salt, brls	1,000	2,272	1,300	3,500
Salt, brls	100	235	85	1,000

Withdrawn yesterday for consumption: 1,500 bu wheat; 2,150 bu corn; 4,401 bu oats; 853 bu rye; and 2,646 bu barley.

The following grain has been inspected into store up to 10 o'clock this morning: 95 cars wheat; 266 cars corn; 44 cars oats; 5 cars rye; 34 cars barley. Total, (267 cars) 240,000 bu.

There was a very liberal attendance of operators on change to-day, and a fair degree of activity in the grain market, but a shrinkage in values occurred throughout the list. The trading was largely of a speculative character, and no sales for delivery in the future. Shippers are apparently being anxious to cover and close out the profit offering. The markets all closed dull, with quiet markets being the rule.

Highwines were firm, and moderately active at yesterday's advance, sales regulating at 90c per gallon tax-paid at sec—closing steady and firm at sec.

Lake freights were dull. Carriers were asking 3c for wheat to Buffalo—but there were not very many offers. Rates were reported nominally at 2 1-2c. Other charters were reported, which take out 121,000 bu corn.

Provisions were quiet, and nominally a shade easier, though not lower, there being more sellers than buyers at the figures current yesterday. Orders were numerous, but generally at lower quotations. The holders would accept consequently they were not pressing sales. Receipts of hogs at the Stock Yards were very light, and a lower prices prevailed, with packers buying freely. Sales were reported at 3 1-2@3 3-4c for mixed; 3 3-4@3 7-8c for heavy; and 3 7-8@4c for light. Cattle were in fair supply, and were without quotable alteration in values, buyers and sellers being about 25c apart in their views. Spring sheep were about 25c lower, and were not very active, although the better grade sold freely. Spring lambs were in demand, and were without quotable alteration in prices.

Lard was quiet and steady, being about 20c lower than prices will be at mill Higher. Raw grades were firmer, at irregular prices, while refined quotations remained unchanged. Coffees, also, were firmer, with a fair demand. The other goods in the list of prices were comparatively steady. There was a liberal movement on advanced quotations:

COFFEE—Prime Rio coffee, 24@25c; fair to choice, do, 21 1-2@23 1-2c; O. G. Java, 29 1-2@30c; Singapore, 34 1-2@35 1-2c; Costa Rica, 25@26c.

RICE—Rangoon, 7 1-2@7 3-4c; Patna, 8@8 1-2c; Carolina, 9 1-2@9 3-4c.

SUGARS—Cuba, 12 5-8@13 1-2c; R do, 12 1-8@12 1-4c; C do, 11 5-8@12c; choice brown, 10 1-2@11 1-4c; prime do, 11 1-2c; molasses do, 9@10c.

STEEPS—Duty paid, 11 1-2c; common molasses, 8@10c; Porto Rico molasses, 10

THE GREAT FIRE.

Continuation of the Investigation by the Board of Police.

Mrs. O'Leary, the Owner of the Cow, Etc., Examined.

Testimony of Foremen of Steamers, and Citizens.

The Board of Police, yesterday, resumed the investigation of the origin and progress of the fire. Commissioners Brown, Sheridan, and Chadwick, and Marshal Williams and Assistant Marshals Walters and Benner were present.

WILLIAM MUSCHAN,

foreman of the Little Giant, testified that the first intimation he had of the fire was from the watch man in the tower on the engine house. He hitched up his horses, and was about leaving the house, when Box 25 was struck. He paid no attention to the number, but went directly to the fire, and took a plug on the corner of Jefferson and DeKoven streets. He led his hose up DeKoven street into an alley running north, and connected and throwing water on the fire. He remained in this position until about half-past 11 o'clock, when he was ordered to go to the river at the foot of Taylor street. He reached there by working for a long time and until he was ordered to go to the South Side—to the corner of Jackson street and Michigan avenue, where, with the assistance of another engine, water was drawn from the lake basin. The Water Works had been burned down at this time, and no water could be obtained from the hydrants. It must have been after 2 o'clock. His engine worked at the corner mentioned until the men were driven away by the heat. He then went to the corner of Congress street and Michigan avenue, and played on the fire there—which was not a very long time—until he was ordered to return to the foot of Taylor street by Assistant Marshal Benner. He took up his old position, and worked on the Chicago Dock Company's building. When at Michigan avenue and Congress street the stoker left the engine, and came back while the engine was at work on the Dock Company's building, having been absent about an hour and a half. He accounted for his absence by saying that he had been assisting some men to blow up buildings. The engine remained at the foot of Taylor street until ordered to go home. None of his men were drunk on Sunday or Monday, and there had been no whiskey in the engine house on Sunday. He saw only one of the Marshals—Benner. He was almost altogether on the south line of the fire.

MRS. O'LEARY,

the owner of the cow, which, it was claimed, kicked over the lamp and started the fire, testified that she and her family—her husband and five children—were in bed, but not asleep, on that Sunday night. They know nothing of the fire until Mr. Sullivan, a neighbor, who lives on the south side of DeKoven street, awoke them and said their barn was on fire. She took a look at the barn and saw that it could not be saved. She became almost crazy on account of losing all her property—a barn, wagons, harness, a cow, and a horse—and was very much excited. There were three barns—two besides her own—on fire at the same time. A family named McLaughlin lived in the same house with her, and she understood they were burned the second time" on that Sunday night; that they had an oyster supper, and a Mrs. White had told her that one of the family went into the barn to milk one of the cows. She had no knowledge of it, and could not say whether it was true or not. The first she saw of the fire engines was one playing on Turner's Block, on the corner of Jefferson and DeKoven streets. She thought it was a good while before the fire brought the engines there. When she saw the steamer, but it might have been watching the fire before she got there. She was so excited in looking after her family and property that she didn't take notice of much else.

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foreman of the steamer Illinois, testified that he heard the gong strike 9:0, and started for the fire. He went to Canal street and Haisted street, where that box is located, but, being unable to find any fire there, he went to the river, where he saw a blaze. He took a plug on the corner of Desplaines and Taylor streets, and worked on the burning building until he was ordered to the north of the fire. He took a hydrant at the corner of Van Buren and Clinton streets. The fire on the east side of him was somewhere in and west of where he stood. He led out 500 feet of hose south on Clinton street, burning very large and a small building. The hose became so intense that he was obliged to move, so he uncoupled the branch pipe, dragged back a hundred or two feet, and, after uncoupling, screwed on the pipe again. Some citizens helped him gather up the hose as he retreated back to the engine, fighting the fire all the way. He remained on the corner mentioned until he came so hot that he became convinced if he didn't move his engine she would be burned up. After the block which ran from Clinton to Jefferson, on Van Buren street, was destroyed, he moved his engine north on Clinton to the corner of Jackson street, and was then ordered to go to the other side of the foot of Adams street. Adams street bridge, he found, had been burned down. He drew water from the river, and threw it on the Fort Wayne freight depot. The buildings in the locality where the fire broke out were mostly of wood, and the fire went through them rapidly. He was ordered to go to the corner of Canal and Williams. The structure caught fire on the roof, and he could not save it. The fire had crossed to the South Side before it took a position to look out for Adams street. He did not know what time it crossed the river, as he did not see it. He thought there was some in the river, but did not know whether they took fire. His engine was in good order during the time he was there, but choked up, and had to be cleaned out. He and his men worked from the time the fire broke out until Tuesday morning, stopping only when they changed the position of the steamer. He took up then and went home. He worked on the Sunday night fire until 8 o'clock on Sunday morning. All his men were in duty at both fires. He had plenty of hose. He had part of a reel at the engine house, but did not have any occasion to send for it. He lost about 300 feet of hose in the hose while changing on the corner of Clinton and Van Buren streets, but picked up enough on the street to fill his reel. He saw all the Marshals around the fire attending to business. None of his men were drunk or disorderly, and there had been no liquor in his engine house on Sunday. He saw only one of the Marshals—Benner. He was almost altogether on the south line of the fire.

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CATHARINE SULLIVAN,

who lives on Dearborn street, east of Jefferson, was washing dishes when she saw a bright reflection on the window panes of her dwelling. She ran into the street, and saw that O'Leary's barn and two others east of it were on fire. She had heard that the O'Leary's were asleep at the time, and that somebody awoke them. Her house caught fire several times, but obtained a shower sufficient to put it out. Her son and Dennis Rogin woke the O'Learys. She did not know, of her own knowledge, where these men resorted in O'Leary's dwelling, but she had heard that there was. Pat. McLaughlin, the fiddler, lived in the front part of O'Leary's house, "on her word" she could not tell how long a time elapsed after the fire broke out before the fire engines made their appearance.

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foreman of the steamer Chicago, said the first he knew of the fire was the blazing of the gong. He thought it was about 9:30. Box No. 343 was struck. This box is about a mile and a half west of where the fire was. He went to the blaze, and took a hydrant on the corner of Peoria and Jefferson streets, and led the hose south. His was the only stream there. After working from three to five minutes the engine was "shut down," and, upon making inquiry as to why it was done, the engineer told him that a spring in the pump had broken. He told the engineer to start up again, and run the risk of breaking the pump to pieces. He did not see the Marshals, or the assistants, and he asked the foreman of the Illinois, which had come up, which side of the fire he would take. He replied "north," so Schimmele remained on the south line. He worked there until Assistant Marshal Benner ordered him to move and set off the fire in the rear of some buildings. The next thing he knew, a row of buildings on Jefferson streets, a little south of Taylor, were on fire. After working on them ten minutes, orders came to move and put on two streams. As orders came frequently came to go further north, and try to cut off the fire. It was impossible to go up Jefferson street, so he went over to Halsted and up to Harrison, and took a plug on the corner of that street and Jefferson. He led the hose south, but changed from the position for the heat became so intense that he was obliged to move, so he uncoupled the branch pipe, dragged back a hundred or two feet, and, after uncoupling, screwed on the pipe again. Some citizens helped him gather up the hose as he retreated back to the engine, fighting the fire all the way. He remained on the corner mentioned until he came so hot that he became convinced if he didn't move his engine she would be burned up. After the block which ran from Clinton to Jefferson, on Van Buren street, was destroyed, he moved his engine north on Clinton to the corner of Jackson street, and was then ordered to go to the other side at the foot of Adams street. Adams street bridge, he found, had been burned down. He drew water from the river, and threw it on the Fort Wayne freight depot. The buildings in the locality where the fire broke out were mostly of wood, and the fire went through them rapidly. He was ordered to go to the corner of Canal and Williams. The structure caught fire on the roof, and he could not save it. The fire had crossed to the South Side before it took a position to look out for Adams street. He did not know what time it crossed the river, as he did not see it. He thought there was some in the river, but did not know whether they took fire. His engine was in good order during the time he was there, but choked up, and had to be cleaned out. He and his men worked from the time the fire broke out until Tuesday morning, stopping only when they changed the position of the steamer. He took up then and went home. He worked on the Sunday night fire until 8 o'clock on Sunday morning. All his men were in duty at both fires. He had plenty of hose. He had part of a reel at the engine house, but did not have any occasion to send for it. He lost about 300 feet of hose in the hose while changing on the corner of Clinton and Van Buren streets, but picked up enough on the street to fill his reel. He saw all the Marshals around the fire attending to business. None of his men were drunk or disorderly, and he had no liquor in his engine house on Sunday. He saw only one of the Marshals—Benner. He was almost altogether on the south line of the fire.

MRS. O'LEARY,

the owner of the cow, which, it was claimed, kicked over the lamp and started the fire, testified that she and her family—her husband and five children—were in bed, but not asleep, on that Sunday night. They know nothing of the fire until Mr. Sullivan, a neighbor, who lives on the south side of DeKoven street, awoke them and said their barn was on fire. She took a look at the barn and saw that it could not be saved. She became almost crazy on account of losing all her property—a barn, wagons, harness, a cow, and a horse—and was very much excited. There were three barns—two besides her own—on fire at the same time. A family named McLaughlin lived in the same house with her, and she understood they were burned the second time" on that Sunday night; that they had an oyster supper, and a Mrs. White had told her that one of the family went into the barn to milk one of the cows. She had no knowledge of it, and could not say whether it was true or not. The first she saw of the fire engines was one playing on Turner's Block, on the corner of Jefferson and DeKoven streets. She thought it was a good while before the fire brought the engines there. When she saw the steamer, but it might have been watching the fire before she got there. She was so excited in looking after her family and property that she didn't take notice of much else.

WILLIAM MULLEN,

foreman of the steamer Illinois, testified that he heard the gong strike 9:0, and started for the fire. He went to Canal street and Haisted street, to where that box is located, but, being unable to find any fire there, he went to the river, where he saw a blaze. He took a plug on the corner of Desplaines and Taylor streets, and worked on the burning building until he was ordered to the north of the fire. He took a hydrant at the corner of Van Buren and Clinton streets. The fire on the east side of him was somewhere in and west of where he stood. He led out 500 feet of hose south on Clinton street, burning very large and a small building. The hose became so intense that he was obliged to move, so he uncoupled the branch pipe, dragged back a hundred or two feet, and, after uncoupling, screwed on the pipe again. Some citizens helped him gather up the hose as he retreated back to the engine, fighting the fire all the way. He remained on the corner mentioned until he came so hot that he became convinced if he didn't move his engine she would be burned up. After the block which ran from Clinton to Jefferson, on Van Buren street, was destroyed, he moved his engine north on Clinton to the corner of Jackson street, and was then ordered to go to the other side at the foot of Adams street. Adams street bridge, he found, had been burned down. He drew water from the river, and threw it on the Fort Wayne freight depot. The buildings in the locality where the fire broke out were mostly of wood, and the fire went through them rapidly. He was ordered to go to the corner of Canal and Williams. The structure caught fire on the roof, and he could not save it. The fire had crossed to the South Side before it took a position to look out for Adams street. He did not know what time it crossed the river, as he did not see it. He thought there was some in the river, but did not know whether they took fire. His engine was in good order during the time he was there, but choked up, and had to be cleaned out. He and his men worked from the time the fire broke out until Tuesday morning, stopping only when they changed the position of the steamer. He took up then and went home. He worked on the Sunday night fire until 8 o'clock on Sunday morning. All his men were in duty at both fires. He had plenty of hose. He had part of a reel at the engine house, but did not have any occasion to send for it. He lost about 300 feet of hose in the hose while changing on the corner of Clinton and Van Buren streets, but picked up enough on the street to fill his reel. He saw all the Marshals around the fire attending to business. None of his men were drunk or disorderly, and he had no liquor in his engine house on Sunday. He saw only one of the Marshals—Benner. He was almost altogether on the south line of the fire.

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THE CITY IN BRIEF.

Masonic Charity.

The fraternity of A. F. and A. Masons are engaged in the laudable though disagreeable work of relieving their brethren, as will be noticed by an advertisement in another column. They hold daily meetings at the Masonic Temple for that purpose, though judiciously and effectually, done by a corps of officers and assistants. All who are worthy and in distress, owing to the late terrible conflagration, may find prompt and substantial aid. We learn the worthy Grand Master has been done to stop the fire. If there had been plenty of hose on at first it would have made a difference, but it was scarce, and the engines tore up the sidewalks to furnish his engine with fuel. All the hose he had had for three months previous to the fire was "no good."

Commissioner Sheridan stated that 2,500 feet of new hose had been purchased, but no one seemed to know where it had gone to.

The witness said that if he had not received a foot of All his hose, No. 2, and couldn't stand a very high pressure. At every fire from one to three lengths bursted. He did not see any Marshals on the South Side, and the engines were left to run of themselves. Engineer Benner was the only one he saw during the whole night.

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Adjournment.

The investigation was then postponed until 10 o'clock this morning